WEATHER
Fair tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

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IMPROVEMENT IN TRANSPORTATION IS BOON TO BUSINESS

THE SITUATION IN A NUTSHELL

Government control terminated March 1, 1920. Cars, locomotives and other equipment were not only inadequate, but a high percentage in bad order. Immediate additions were impossible. Time and money prevented them. Traffic continued to increase. Then April 1 brought the outlaw strike. The general outlook was dark. Finally on July 16, the Association of Railway Executives adopted a program designed to increase freight tonnage and mileage with existing facilities:

The Program

1. An average daily minimum movement of freight cars of not less than 30 miles per day;
2. An average loading of 30 tons per car;
3. Reduction of bad-order cars to a maximum of 4 per cent of total owned;
4. An early and substantial reduction in the number of locomotives unfit for service;
5. More effective efforts to bring about the return of cars to the owner roads.

The Result

Improvement is estimated by the average tonnage per car and the average mileage per car per day. The following figures show what has been accomplished:

Average Tonnage Per Car

March 1, 1920	Sept. 1, 1920	Percentage	Equivalent to
28.3 Tons	29.8 Tons.	5 per cent Gain	100,000 Cars

Average Mileage per Car per Day

March 1, 1920	Sept. 1, 1920	Percentage	Equivalent to
22.3 Miles	27.4 Miles	23 per cent Gain	400,000 Cars

Or a Total Equivalent of 500,000 Cars

Number of Cars Loaded

First Week June, 1920	Last Week August, 1920	First Week Sept., 1920
769,000	985,000	994,687

Week Ending Oct. 9, 1920	Week Ending Oct. 16, 1920	Week Ending Oct. 23, 1920
1,009,787	1,005,663	1,010,967

The number of tons moved one mile during the first eight months of 1920 was 291,000,000,000 or 3,000,000,000 tons more than during the first eight months of 1918, which held the record.

For the sixth consecutive week this year, the railroads have furnished transportation enough for the production of more than 12,000,000 net tons of bituminous coal. The total output of soft coal for 1920 will probably exceed all other years except the war year of 1918. Production for this year to November 15 is already more than 75,000,000 tons in excess of the full year 1919.

These figures have been digested from reports of the American railway association, the Association of Railway Executives, the Bureau of Railway Economics, the Interstate Commerce Commission and the U. S. Geographical Survey.

Editor's Note—Today Business and Transportation are respectively the heart and arteries of this country. When the business heart is sick, the railroad arteries do not function efficiently. When the railroad circulation is poor, there is an unfavorable reaction on the business heart which produces an unhealthy condition throughout our entire economic system. Consequently, the business world must keep apace with railroad developments; know what has been accomplished, what may be expected, and what effect it will have on general conditions. Therefore, The Tribune and Leader-Press believes this an excellent time to publish this Literary Digest summary of the railroad situation and relative conditions, not alone as a timely survey, but as a basis and indication of the business outlook for 1921. Another article will appear tomorrow.

Not so very long ago the "railroad situation" was a thorn in the side of virtually every business in the United States. It took weeks to secure cars—and then weeks to move them. Traffic had increased faster than the roads could handle it. So the shipper shipped and the receiver sat and waited—both trusting in fate and their own good luck.

The manufacturing world in particular was sorely tried because its sales as well as its innumerable purchases were entirely dependent on transportation. If one kind of raw material or assembled part did not arrive when needed, the entire production process was delayed. Consequently, large stocks of raw materials had to be ordered months in advance because no one could estimate their arrival.

Such unsound economic conditions not only tied up considerable capital but frequently increased production costs, especially where more expensive forms of transportation were employed in emergency cases. One vivid case in mind was the purchase of paper for a famous weekly magazine, when a number of motor trucks were rented and a coast wise freighter chartered in order to maintain publication schedules.

The retail business was likewise operated on a "take-what-you-can-get" policy. Its stock story became, "Sorry, haven't a one. We've had them ordered for three months. And it will likely be three more before we get 'em." As one merchant remembers it: "Retailing had the old-fashioned nightmare beat to a frazzle. You were haunted by anxious and disappointed customers, and your business crawled along on its hands and knees when it should have been doing a Man o' War."

But These Times are Gone

Today railroad conditions are greatly improved. The car shortage has been materially relieved and will no doubt be entirely eliminated after the crops have been moved. Terminal congestion has practically ceased to exist. The entire transportation situation, in other words, is on a far more efficient operating basis than it was a few months ago. The figures in the center column concisely tell the story.

Despite the steadily growing traffic, a higher percentage of bad-order equipment than ever before and the outlaw strike in the spring, more tons per car have been loaded, more cars have been moved and more miles per car per day have been run during the first ten months of 1920 than in any corresponding period in the history of American railroads.

This progress has been due to many factors: Competitive private management, adequate financial guarantees and rates, co-operation of shippers and receivers, increased wages, higher percentage of returned cars to owner roads and a general rehabilitation throughout the entire industry. Another very important factor is the return of the old morale and spirit among the railroad managers through the passing of the transportation bill.

"With the facts now before us," states the Railway Age (New York) of October 22, "it is safe to predict that the amount of freight handled during the entire year 1920 will be greater than in any earlier year in history. The number of cars loaded week by week still continues to show increases over the corresponding weeks of previous years."

"All this," says the Journal of Commerce (New York), "points to a steady restoration of efficiency, and, taken with the reduction of unnecessary hands on the roads and the consequent release of labor for use elsewhere, suggests that the roads are making that desired progress toward normal conditions which has been generally regarded as essential if the nation is to get back to a sound basis of business and organization."

How it Affects Business

The effect of the improved railroad conditions on general business is far reaching. It means the freer flow of raw materials and manufactured products, the quicker turnover of capital, less demand for credit and better circulation of money.

Another important advantage is the reduced overhead charges added to commodities because of the slow turnover. The Guaranty Trust company (New York), in its semi-monthly letter, is convinced "there is every reason to believe that the current reductions in commodity prices have been due in part to the very great improvement in the transportation situation."

Moreover, it means less ordering of those large "safety-first" raw-material reserve stocks which not alone required considerable capital but risked fluctuating prices. It also means the prompt movement of crops, less waste in the distribution of perishable foodstuffs, the elimination of labor tie-ups caused by terminal congestions and the lifting of restrictions on coal purchases by power plants, manufacturing industries, transoceanic liners and freighters and the railroads themselves.

The situation in general is summarized by Mr. J. J. Pulleyn, president Emigrant Industrial Savings bank, New York, in his recent speech before the American Bankers' association convention: "Those who forecast economic affairs may find in the betterment of the railroad situation a basis for improved business conditions during the coming year. Successful railroad operations is fundamental to commercial prosperity, to enlarging foreign trade, to the prompt liquidation of seasonal bank credits and to the improvement of the general investment market."

LOVERS' QUARREL ENDS IN DEATH FOR GIRL

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Alice Krueger, 17, died at a hospital Wednesday morning, after taking poison, the result, it is believed, of a lovers' quarrel. She had a disagreement Monday night with her sweetheart, a war veteran and student at a school here. Tuesday she had appeared melancholy, her mother said, and at night the girl was found unconscious on the floor of the bath-room at her home.

MILK PRICES ARE TUMBLING IN THIS CITY

Drops of One to Two Cents a Quart are Announced by Milk Dealers in La Crosse

REDUCTION IN COST OF FEED HELPS IN LOWERING PRICES

Milk Sells for Ten Cents a Quart at the Public Stations in City

MILK Prices have taken a tumble in La Crosse in the last few days. Reductions by dealers and dairy farms of one and two cents a quart are announced, the first of the reductions being made several days ago.

On the north side John Mulder, grocer, 802 Rose street, has lowered the price from 15 to 14 cents a quart. Tuesday C. H. McInnes, grocer, Mill and Car street, announced a cut of one cent, from 14 to 13 cents a quart.

J. B. Mulder of the Economy Grocery, 900 South Fifth street, lowered the price of milk from 13 cents to 12 cents.

At Smale's dairy store, 114 South Fourth street, it was said milk had been reduced from 15 cents to 13 cents a quart. La Vaque's Sanitary Grocery, 608 Main street, is now charging 13 cents for milk, the previous price being 14 cents. Asked why the reduction was made at this time, Mr. LaVaque said: "Well, we just kept after them and made them (the wholesalers) reduce their prices."

The La Crosse Hygienic Dairy Farm C. F. Oertel, proprietor, town of Shelby, said today that a week ago the price of milk had been lowered from 16 cents to 14 cents.

Herman Keppel, dairy farm South Salem road, has brought the wholesale price of milk down from 13 to 12 cents and the retail from 15 cents to 14 cents. He said a reduction in the cost of feed and help enabled him to make the cut.

At the dairy farm of Oscar Kramer, Mormon Coulee road, it was said no milk was sold at retail, only to dealers. They had been forced by the dealers, it was said to accept a cut of four cents a gallon, from 34 to 30 cents. In summer when feed was plentiful and cheaper they got 32 cents a gallon. Now they can't buy hay "for love nor money," it was said today at the farm.

At the voting booth public milk stations milk is selling for 10 cents a quart and cream at 40 cents a quart.

CALL NURSE FOR CARDINAL GIBBONS; DANGER IS DENIED

Fatigued by Overwork—Anxiety Due to Prelate's Advanced Age

BALTIMORE, Md.—The sending of a nurse Tuesday to attend Cardinal Gibbons, who has been resting at the home of Robert T. Shriver at Union Hills, Md., for ten days, led to reports that the cardinal was seriously ill. These were denied by the cardinal's physician. The doctor said that the cardinal was suffering from fatigue caused by overtaxed strength.

Several times within recent months the cardinal has suffered slight attacks of weakness which, while momentary, naturally caused anxiety owing to his advanced age—86 years.

VETERANS ASK AMNESTY FOR POLITICAL PRISONERS

WASHINGTON — A committee from the World War Veterans' headquarters at St. Paul, Minn., arrived here Wednesday to call at the white house and on Attorney General Palmer to present resolutions adopted by the organization last summer urging an amnesty proclamation for all prisoners still in custody for violation of the espionage act.

NOBODY HOME!

Used to say that about people with ivory domes. But during Carnival week in January it will be said about people who act crazy but are NOT. And in another way of speaking, there will be "nobody home" while the fun is going on. All down town watching or taking part.

Did you know that the people of La Crosse are to give twelve hundred and fifty dollars in prizes to the expert farmers of the state and Minnesota and northern Iowa—in prizes for their ability to produce better corn, wheat, rye, barley, etc.? Yes, THE PEOPLE OF LA CROSSE ARE DOING IT. You can't do ANYTHING in this town if the majority of the people are against it.

You'll feel queer if you haven't a red button on. Buy one and wear it. One cartwheel only!

MORGANTHAU IS NAMED MEDIATOR FOR ARMENIANS

HENRY MORGANTHAU

WASHINGTON.—By The Associated Press.—Henry Morganthau of New York, former ambassador to Turkey has been selected by President Wilson to act as the president's personal representative in mediating between the Armenians and the Turkish nationalists.

Mr. Morganthau conferred with Acting Secretary Davis at the state department Wednesday, receiving final instructions as to his mission. The department, however, has not yet heard from the league of nations in response to the president's request for further information as to procedure.

Mr. Morganthau's appointment will not be officially announced until later in the day. He is expected to begin his work as soon as the president has heard further from the league of nations, which invited the executive to name a mediator.

In his work Mr. Morganthou will have the moral support not only of the United States, but also of the principal allies and associated powers, this having been agreed upon between the president and the league.

SINN FEIN LEADER TO CONFER WITH IMPRISONED CHIEF

Mayor of Cork Appeals to Irish-Americans to Raise Relief Fund

LONDON.—Premier Lloyd George Wednesday replied to the request by the Rev. Michael O'Flanagan, acting president of the Sinn Fein, that time be accorded in which to consult with Eammon De Valera and Arthur Griffith, founder of the Sinn Fein and now under arrest, respecting endeavors being made to bring about a truce in Ireland.

The premier informed Father O'Flanagan that facilities would be afforded him for seeing Arthur Griffith. Regarding De Valera, the premier wrote: "The ordinary methods of communication with America are fully open to you."

Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork has sent a cable message to the Irish Americans of the United States urging them to organize a relief fund for Ireland, says a Cork dispatch.

The lord mayor has appealed to the American Red Cross to send a contingent to Cork, the dispatch adds.

Parish Priest Shot

LONDON.—The bishop of Cork, says the Central News has received a telegram stating that Canon Magner, parish priest of Dummanway, County Cork was shot dead by armed and uniformed men at 2:30 o'clock Wednesday afternoon.

JURY DISAGREES IN SECOND HEARING OF GAMBLING CASE HERE

Frances Pleads Guilty Through His Attorney and Pays Total of $28.60

The second jury drawn for the purpose of arriving at a final verdict in the Mike Frances gambling case which was heard in Judge Hunt's court at the city hall Tuesday afternoon failed to reach an agreement.

At the hearing at the court yesterday it was decided on the motion of the City Attorney, Oscar J. Swennes, that Sam Frances be dismissed from the case it being testified that he was in Chicago at the time of the arrest. In order to clear up the case, Mike Frances Tuesday pleaded guilty to the charge through his attorney Arthur Holmes and on the recommendation of the city Attorney, Frances was fined one dollar and costs, amounting to a total of 28.60 This action was taken in view of the fact that the two jury's drawn were unable to reach an agreement on the case.

PREDICT TROUBLE BETWEEN RUMANIA AND RUSS SOVIET

VIENNA. — Trouble between Rumania and soviet Russia is forecast in reports from Ukrainia. These advices say Rumania is adopting measures "indicative of imminence of war" wtih Russia over the possession of Bessarabia.

BRITAIN SOUGHT TO INFLUENCE U. S. SHIPPING POLICIES TESTIFIES DENMAN

Former Head of Shipping Board Promises to Reveal Sources of Interference with Organization's Activities if Consent of Wilson is Obtained in Testimony Before the House Investigating Committee

GENEVA.—By the Associated Press.—Austria was elected a member of the league of nations by the assembly of the league Wednesday.

Belgium, Brazil, Spain and China were chosen as the four elective members of the council of the league of nations by the assembly of the league.. The first three nations named had held places in the council by appointment under the original covenant. China takes the place of Greece, the fourth member originally named.

WASHINGTON.—Members of the British mission which visited the United States in 1917 attempted to influence the policies of the shipping board, William Denman of San Francisco, first chairman of the board, testified Wednesday before the special house commission investigating the board's operations.

Mr. Denman indicated that his insistence that the shipping board be free from British influence had more to do with his resignation as chairman of the board than any other one thing.

In this connection, the witness said that if he could obtain the permission of President Wilson for the disclosure of "certain phases" of shipping board negotiations, "one of the sources of interference with my administration as head of the board may be disclosed."

To support his charge of attempts of the British mission to influence the policies of the board, Mr. Denman said that in April, 1917, when he was attempting to organize an administrative board in New York to function with the shipping board "on a purely American basis," he descovered that without his knowledge Sir Connop Guruire, a member of the British mission in this country, was made a member of the advisory body.

"I do not know how he got on that board but I can tell you how he got off," Mr. Denman declared. "I learned that three or four members of the British mission had attended the session when the selection was made. Afterwards the shipping board had a warm session. It lasted twenty minutes and all that had been transacted at the previous session was wiped out.

"We wanted British co-operation, but we did not want Great Britain to influence our board until we had gotten things under way. We were still in the air as to what we wanted to do and the policy of the British in this connection seemed very extraordinary to me."

LEAGUE ASSEMBLY FAVORS PLAN TO LIMIT ARMAMENT

Limitations Clause Changed to Make it Optional Instead of Obligatory

QUESTION OF MANDATES TO BE DISCUSSED WEDNESDAY

May be Put up to Supreme Allied Council for Decision

GENEVA — By The Associated Press.—The assembly of the league of nations late Thursday afternoon went on record as favoring the limitation of armaments by the powers for the next two years by agreement among them. The limitations clause of the disarmament committee's report was adopted after it had been modified so as to take the form of a recommendation.

Discuss Mandates

Discussion of the question of mandates on the floor of the assembly of the league of nations seemed today to be probable and it was expected there would be animated debate before the subject was disposed of. When actual debate might begin was not indicated, but statements of delegates reflected the view that before the end of the present meeting the whole question would be fully considered.

A sub-committee of committee number six which has been considering the question of mandates held stormy sessions Tuesday and Monday, some members including C. J. Doherty of Canada and Dr. Nansen of Norway, pushing for action, while others appeared indifferent. It appears the council of the league has encountered difficulties in securing satisfactory replies from the supreme allied council and from the mandatory powers concerning the terms of mandates and the boundaries of territories placed under the supervision of various nations. In addition the council of the league is said to have delayed the giving of information requested on other matters.

May be Referred

There is strong opinion in the assembly that the mandates under which the powers fix their own terms are not properly mandates and there are indications the question may be thrown back on the supreme allied council if sufficient information has not been secured before Thursday night. The committe in charge holds that it must have this information before it can make an intelligent report.

The assembly, which has been disposing of only one subject a day since Monday, tried today to make better progress. On the program was the task of electing new members to the league, the choosing of four new elective members of the council and the disposing of questions regarding the "white slave" traffic and the opium trade, which was left over from yesterday's session.

Proposal that the league of nations assume the duties which heretofore have devolved upon Holland under the international opium convention, regulating traffic in the drug, was taken up by the assembly.

The committee investigating the subject recommended that the secretariat of the league collect information from the interested countries and that the subject be further investigated by an advisory committee including representatives from the countries especially concerned—Holland, Great Britain, France, India, Japan, China, Siam and Portugal.

FEAR IS EXPRESSED FOR SAFETY OF MEN ADRIFT IN BALLOON

NEW YORK.—The fate of the naval balloon which left Rockaway Point for Canada Monday with three passengers and which was reported to have crashed into the side of Fork mountain near Wells, N. Y., Tuesday night, is still uncertain.

Officials of the Rockaway naval air station were without word from the crew.

The crew was composed of experienced aerial navigators headed by Lieut. Walter Hinton. The others are Lieuts. S. A. Farrell and A. L. Kloor.

ELIZABETH KELLY GIVES INSPIRING TALK HERE TUESDAY

Makes Appeal to American People for Alleviation of Conditions in Armenia

DECLARES ARMENIAN PEOPLE TO BE PROSPEROUS SET

Rev. Dixon Elected Chairman of Local Relief Committee

Describing but few of the horrors and pain and suffering endured daily by the Armenian people in the face of the Turkish destruction in the Near East Miss Elizabeth Kelly, in her lecture on "Personal experiences in Armenia," made an inspiring appeal to the gathering at the Chamber of Commerce Tuesday evening for the aid and assistance of the American people to alleviate conditions as they exist today in Armenia and the Near East.

"We have accomplished marvels, but we still have marvels to accomplish," Miss Kelly stated, and told of the organization and workings of the relief committees in the foreign country, declaring that schools and churches have been turned into orphanages whereby the thousands of children picked up on the streets and brought in by their parents were partially nursed back to normal life. With the assistance of the American people, she stated, cloth manufacturing plants, in which garments were manufactured for the use of the refugees and industrial plants of various kinds were made possible. Soup kitchens wherein the children could be fed, were established.

Relates Atrocities

In relating the life of the Armenian people, Miss Kelly stated that they continually live in a tense atmosphere and are everlastingly conscious of a fear of the Turkish people. The speaker declared that massacres are a daily occurance, and that all of the atrocities committed in the recent war are but a fractional part of those committed by the Turkish people in their hatred for the Armenians. She related the shooting of children who had been partially nursed back to life in the orphanages, and declared that women had seen their husbands and brothers beat to death after they were forced by the Turks to dig their own graves. Rather than become slaves to this treacherous tribe, many of the women deliberately threw themselves against stone walls and rocks on the ground in an effort to kill themselves, she declared.

Armenians Are Prosperous.

"The Armenians are a thrifty, prosperous and deserving people and are well worth the assistance given by America and the nations of the world," Miss Kelly declared. In speaking of the extent of the work that is being carried on for which this

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PLAN TO KEEP ALIVE NATIONAL UNION OF THE EQUITY SOCIETY

Wisconsin Delegates in Favor of Retaining Control of Central Body

MADISON, Wis.—The national union of the American Society of Equity is to be kept alive as a skeleton organization around which the national society may later be built in other states than Wisconsin, according to opinion expressed Wednesday by officers and delegates attending the national convention in session here. The Wisconsin representatives in control expressed themselves as unwilling to relinquish control to the national.

The morning session opened with a call for the financial report by Wisconsin State President E. C. Pomerene. Proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws, which would require locals to send dues directly to the national union, and would raise the portion of dues to the national from 30 cents to 75 cents, were taken up.

Discussion on proposed changes to the constitution which followed was expected to last over until late afternoon when election of officers would be held. Walker Foster, of Milwaukee present national director, was accepted as the candidate of the forces representing the national union, which Frank Tilly of Outagamie county, was expected to be put forward by friends of a strong state organization. T. M. Tittemore, former state and national president, was here and expressed himself as friendly to the forces who favored strengthening the national.

THE WEATHER RECORD

For La Crosse and vicinity—Fair tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

For Wisconsin—Cloudy tonight, Thursday fair. Not much change in temperature.

For Minnesota—Fair tonight and Thursday. Somewhat warmer Thursday in northwest portion.

For Iowa—Fair tonight and Thursday. Not much change in temperature.

TODAY'S TEMPERATURES

6 a. m.	25	10 a. m.	25
7 a. m.	25	11 a. m.	26
8 a. m.	25	12 m.	26
9 a. m.	25	1 p. m.	27

NATION-WIDE RECORD

	Low	Yesterday's high	last night	Prec.
Bismarck	22	28		
Boston	42	56		.32
Chicago	20	40		
Denver	24	32		
Helena	12	28		
Huron	26	36		
Jacksonville	44	66		
Kansas City	34	44		
LA CROSSE	24	32		
Madison	24	34		
Memphis	40	56		
Medicine Hat	16			
Milwaukee	28	38		
New York	38	58		.56
New Orleans	46	62		
Minneapolis	22	26		
Washington	40	68		.06

WASHINGTON RELICS FROM RELATIVE'S COLLECTION SOLD AT PHILADELPHIA

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—A miniature portrait of George Washington painted at the request of Martha Washington by Charles Peale, has been purchased at auction here by the Mount Vernon association for $9,600. The miniature, one of a number of Washington relics from the estate of Dr. David Stuart, a kinsman of Washington, is a portrait on ivory, in a gold frame, and reposes in the original leather case.

Other relics purchased by the association include Washington's field telescope which brought $4,000, and two mahogany chairs which he had in his dining room at Mount Vernon. One chair brought $1,100 and the other $700.

Washington's shaving outfit, consisting of two razors, a hone, strop, brush, comb and mirror, was sold to an anonymous purchaser from New York for $950.

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WAKETH UPRIGHTLY

LORD, who shall abide in Thy tabernacle? Who shall dwell in Thy holy hill? He that walketh uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.—Psalms 15: 1, 2.

The Thimble

THOMAS HOOD might never have written the "Song of the Shirt" had it not been for a certain John Lofting of England. For Lofting was the inventor of the thimble, which plays no little part in Hood's lines. And the women of the world owe no little debt of gratitude to this man who lightened the labor of hand-needle-work.

It seems peculiar that such a simple thing as a thimble needed to be invented. One might almost suppose it had always been right there for the needlewoman to pick up when she was ready to ply her needle, but not so.

It was not much over 200 years ago when London saw the first thimble. Lofting, its inventor, was by trade a metal worker. He "stumbled" upon the idea of a metal piece to be placed on the thumb to aid the sewer to push the needle carrying the thread through the cloth. And he called it a "thumb bell". "Thumb" because it was to be worn on the thumb. "Bell" because of its shape. In time the thumb bell slipped off of the thumb and onto other fingers. And time finally softened the name into that of thimble as it is known today.

At any rate, and although a very small thing, the thimble founded the fortune of the very rich Lofting family, and it is doubtful if there is any woman that grudges the descendants of John their good fortune.

Private Fagg

J. E. FAGG served as a private with the Princess Pats during the war. He won fame in a famous regiment. But the end of the war put a period to his soldiering career. Instead of drifting back to a city job he turned toward the western plains. The Canadian government staked him to a farm and machinery. Private—no, Farmer—Fagg built a homesteader's home, and gave his government his note for the farm investment.

Then Canada temporarily lost track of ex-Private Fagg.

But the day of harvest surely comes round. The government in Ottawa heard from ex-Private Fagg.

"I put in 110 acres of wheat last spring," he wrote. "I take out 3,300 bushels this fall. I can pay for my land and all the improvements out of this one crop.

Fine for ex-Private Fagg! But he continues:

"I can't understand why any young fellow should slave away his life in a city for a bare living when he can find a home and independence on a farm."

Farmer Fagg isn't the only one who cannot understand that. Some people think it is the movie, the "modern conveniences," the attractions of the city. But they're wrong. Most often it is that the "young fellow" hasn't the necessary grit to go out on the land. Often he's afraid of work and afraid of tackling something difficult. It takes more or at least a different kind of courage to be a hero on a homesteader's acres than when standing elbow-near to others of the Princess Pats or any other regiment.

A Nuisance

THE usual decennial nuisance and expense is about to be shoved off on the people. Congressman Siegel of New York announces that he is bringing into the short session a bill to add fifty members to the House of Representatives, based on the 1920 census. As he is head of the appropriations committee, it is likely that this useless bit of expensive plunder will be tacked onto the governmental system.

The House of Representatives is now, of course, at least twice as big as efficient operation would justify. The only reason for adding fifty new members is to prevent a few states from having their representation cut down slightly.

It would be infinitely better if the number of representatives, instead of being increased, could be cut to about 200. But the useless extravagance will be practiced unless people all over the country register immediate and emphatic protest. Even so, it may do no good. The next election is far away. Congress is filled with "lame ducks" and re-elected members who are not worrying about what the people think now.

Christmas for Men

MOTHER LIVING? Yes. Well, maybe last Christmas you didn't go home. Maybe you just couldn't. Maybe you wrote a letter instead. Or just sent the usual Christmas box. That wasn't a real Christmas to your mother.

Try giving yourself to your mother for just the one day.

It has been said that the exchange of presents at Christmas day may be made "a cheerful old custom or a futile old farce." Isn't it just possible that mother may be beginning to think that Christmas Day is a "futile old farce" unless it is cheered up a bit by the presence of her boy, her "baby?"

Anyhow, whether you make it a point to go home for Christmas, and even if you write to mother telling her that "this time it will be impossible to get there," remember this: That all Christmas Day through there will be a face at the window, and a mother hoping, hoping against fate that the big bulk of her boy will loom through the snowflakes. A mother never gives us hope while there's life you know.

Business of Living

IN his autobiography Benjamin Franklin tells how he kept books on himself. He had a ledger, at the top of each page of which he wrote one of the several virtues he regarded as fundamental for right living. One page he devoted to frugality, another to temperance, a third to industry, a fourth to silence, and so on.

At the end of each day he examined himself and if he had failed in any of these virtues, he gave himself a black mark on the ledger. In this way he kept himself informed as to the weak spots of his make-up, and devoted himself constantly to improving them. Thus he kept the record in the ledger balanced.

To Ben Franklin, living was the most important of all businesses. He was more concerned in showing gains and stopping losses in his living business than in his printing business.

Franklin's bookkeeping system was practical application of the injunction, "know thyself". Self-knowledge is the fundamental of the living business. Most of us are too busy with other businesses to look after this most important of all business. It generally runs by itself. That's why there are so many failures in that business.

Pessimism can't be growing; there's no reduction in marriages.

Motorists aren't thrilled by John D.'s latest philanthropy.

In Ye Olden Times

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

E. S. Hebberd, tuberculosis campaign manager for this city, this morning received notice from Madison to the effect that La Crosse is second in a list of twelve cities in the race for the sale of Christmas Seals, having sold 100,000 Seals so far. Eau Claire is in the lead with a record of 200,000 stamps sold.

C. W. Dickinson of the La Crosse Plow company was in Milwaukee yesterday where he attended a conference of the committee appointed at a preliminary meeting of the proposed state association of manufacturers to draw up a constitution and by-laws. The object of the new association is to unite the manufacturers and business men of the state in a body through which they may act as a unit on matters in which they are directly interested.

Proposed by the unsuccessful candidate for congress and favored by local republican members of the legislature, Paul W. Mahoney's proposed poll tax remission bill stands every show of becoming a law at the coming session of the legislature. Mr. Mahoney's bill provides that the poll tax of one dollar, payment of which is a state law not enforced here, be levied against all voters and that it be remitted after they vote at the general election, his theory being that it will have a tendency to make voters turn out.

Two deputy state factory inspectors are in the city looking over the churches which have doors that swing inward instead of outward.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

The incorporators of the new La Crosse Club are discussing the expediency of adopting the anti-treat law. This feature would impress upon every member that so long as he is held in good standing he is regarded with as much respect and importance as a member who has unlimited wealth at his command.

At the forty-eighth annual meeting of the State Historical society which was held in Madison last evening, C. L. Coleman of La Crosse was elected vice-president to succeed Ellis B. Usher, resigned. Members voted to hold next year's field convention in La Crosse.

Max Strause has sold his entire stock of shoes and fixtures to Edward Larson. Mr. Larson takes possession tomorrow morning.

At the meeting of the school board last night P. W. Mahoney was elected to succeed Judge Fruit as president.

THIRTY YEARS AGO TODAY

A pageant, "The Congress of Nations", is to be staged at Union hall this evening under the auspices of the Young People's Christian Endeavor society of the North Presbyterian church.

It is reported today that Bunn Webb of this city, has been appointed assistant railroad commissioner under Railroad Commissioner-elect Thomas Thompson.

Nearly all the bluffs on the upper Mississippi river have been burnt over by fires which are still smouldering.

Messrs. Miller and Murray have arranged to move into the Schilling store, corner of Tenth and La Crosse streets, to engage in the grocery business.

A petition is being circulated on the north side to secure money from the city to build a bridge across Black river to West La Crosse.

Abe Martin

What we need is a blue sky law t' keep us from takin' stock in ever'thing we hear. Mrs. Lafe Bud says nothin' makes her as mad as t' have t' stop readin' t' thread a needle fer her husband.

TWO AND A BRIDGE

BY ANDERSON MILLER

The primal command to Adam to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow was certainly being applied literally in his own case, thought Robert Owen gloomily, as he regarded the moist lump that represented what had been a few hours ago, a fresh and spotless handkerchief. The train was moving leisurely through a district in western Pennsylvania where there was not a tree, as far as he could see through the grimy winds, that were more than ten feet high.

The sun beat down on the country, and from the gray-green earth reflected heat waves leaped back, quivering and distorting the view. Owen, though clad as lightly as possible, was literally sweltering.

He thought regretfully of the cool quiet of the club lounge which he had left twenty hours before; the shaded veranda, the icy shower baths, the invigorating chill of the swimming pool.

And he had let the chief talk him into making this trip on the off chance of getting the contract for putting up a bridge over some forsaken river or other in the wilds of the state, off the main line!

He groaned as he thought that he would probably be marooned up there for the better part of a week, interviewing county commissioners and highway experts in little box-like offices that smell of dust and were abominably hot.

He mopped his brow again, more from force of habit than with any expectation of mitigating his discomfort, and glanced out of the window at the station which the train was at that moment languidly leaving. "Phillipsville," said the gilt letters. Only two more stops to Spring Valley—that, at least, was a comfort.

He would see the head of the state highway department that afternoon and try to be comfortable during the night, at least. He wondered what Spring Valley was like. For the twentieth time that day he drew the letter from the highway department from his pocket and read it, from the courteous opening to the "Yours truly, J. Harbison, Com'r."

It was a nice letter and "J. Harbison" had a nice signature—that at least was something. Harbison wasn't a smoky old fogy—he was sure of that. "Spring Valley"! roared the conductor, and Owen leaped to his feet and hurried from the train, clutching his rolls of blueprints and his suitcase.

Spring Valley was not prepossessing to the eye. At the station were three dilapitated looking vehicles drawn by somnolent horses and manned by dusky Jehus who babbled unceasingly the merits of the hotels they represented.

Owen took the least objectionable of these and was transported in due time to the Mansion house. His first opinion of the Mansion House was that it wasn't. The usual desk and clerk; the usual languid bellboy; the usual crawling elevator; the usual room with the usual golden oak furniture, and the usual prospect of the usual travesty of a meal at 6 o'clock. He inquired the way to the state highway commissioner's offices and departed.

His inquiry for Mr. Harbison was greeted with a grin by the boy who took his card, and presently he was shown into a room that belied his preconceived ideas. It was spotlessly clean and had the air of having but recently been gone over—and air conspicuously lacking in most of the offices Owen had visited in his time. A girl was seated at a desk, writing busily. She glanced up as he entered.

"Mr. Owen?"

"Yes—to see Mr. Harbison about that bridge." Harbison had taste in secretaries he thought. But her next words took him off his feet.

"I am Miss Harbison," the young lady replied calmly, "Won't you sit down"?

"The—the highway commissioner?" Owen could only stare.

"Of course!" With a little laugh. "I was elected last fall. You want to see me about the Bell river bridge. What is it exactly you want"?

Owen recovered from his astonishment and told her. But there were many details to go into, and it was half-past five before he knew it.

"Look here," said Miss Harbison, directly, "we have a lot to talk about. Suppose you come up to the house after dinner and we'll get on with the work. I live at 18 Cherry street—it's easy to find. About eight—good afternoon!"

Owen repaired to 18 Cherry street at the time suggested. It was a cool-looking house with a cool-looking veranda and a lot of cool-looking chairs; and Miss Harbison was there to meet him in a cool-looking frock; and he met her mother, who was a nice old lady, evidently very proud of her daughter; and for many hours the two of them sat up and discussed estimates penalties and such things; and at 12 o'clock Owen went back to the hotel tired but at peace with the world. He was sure that he would be able to put the contract through in fine style; and he had lost his fear of the conferences in the hot, smoky offices. Spring Valley didn't seem such a bad place after all.

For the rest of the week he was very busy putting the final details into shape, and he left for New York on Saturday with the contract in his pocket after a very pleasant evening spent in calling, unofficially, on J. Harbison, highway commissioner. His chief congratulated him.

"I suppose you're glad to be back from that hole in the ground," he said.

"Well—to tell you the truth, chief, I was hoping you'd let me go up there again. I'd like to see the work started, at least—and I know the ground, and —and——" he finished lamely.

The chief looked at him for a moment through half-shut eyes, then laughed. "All right, Bob," he chuckled. "You're the doctor. If you want to go back there and die of the heat, go ahead. No one else wants the job."

So it was that for the next three months Mr. Robert Owen, representative of the Perfection Bridge and Construction Company, found himself situated at Spring Valley, Spring county, Pennsylvania, spending as much of his time as possible in the company of Miss Joan Harbison, highway commissioner. As the weeks slipped by and the construction got well under way, Mr. Owen found it more and more necessary to go to number 18 Cherry street for conferences.

That some of these conferences were not entirely official in character might have been shown by the fact that passersby heard, sometimes, the music of a guitar, very well played, coming from the veranda in the evenings; Mr. Owen had played on his college mandolin club, it appeared. But as the work progressed with great rapidity, and apparently quite satisfactorily, there could be no possible ground for carping on the part of village critics.

One evening in early September Miss Joan Harbison and Mr. Robert Owen went out to Bell River Bridge in Miss Harbison's little runabout to take a look at their completed work. Tomorrow the bridge would be opened with appropriate ceremonies; the town council and the mayor would make speeches and there would be a band, and generally a good time would be had by all.

But in the twilight the bridge was peaceful and quiet as it gracefully spanned the stream; the two on the bank looked at it fondly and proudly, Miss Harbison with a sense of proprietorship, for the bridge would be a monument to her work as highway commissioner; Owen with an air of regarding a good piece of work. They were silent for a few moments; then Owen, stepping from the machine, invited his companion to sit beside him on a girder.

"Well, it's finished," he said after a pause.

"Yes." Miss Harbison sighed.

"What's the matter. Are you sorry it's over"?

"No—that is, yes. I mean, I'm not sorry, and still—well, I am."

Thus the official, efficient highway commissioner. The highly impersonal and very businesslike Robert Owen could find nothing to say but "Are you?" which did not seem to have any direct bearing on the subject. More silence.

"I'm going away to-morrow," offered Robert after a time.

"Are you? I'm so sorry!"

The words slipped out before Miss Harbison realized their import and a deep blush overspread her face. But Robert Owen, regardless of the scandalized faces of a couple of country people who happened to drive by that way at that time, impetuously caught the efficient Miss Harbison in his arms and said—a great many things with which we have no concern whatever. But they must have been satisfactory, for Miss Harbison semed to agree with every one of them.

The country people drove on. The twilight deepened. The Bell River Bridge stood contemplative, while the water beneath it flowed on, as water has been in the habit of doing the world over. But neither of the two on the girder minded the water, or the country people, or the bridge. The bridge was finished; they had just begun to live.

Belgium is preparing to electrify its entire railway system.

THE BOYS AND GIRLS NEWSPAPER

SCHOOL STUDY SPORTS — HOME WORK PLAY

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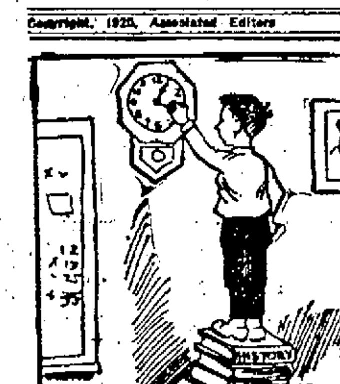

Collect Stamps and Learn

Twelve rare stamps are the prize offered for the best essay, "How Postage Stamp Collecting Helps to Study Geography." The contest is now being conducted by The School Union, Sacramento, Cal.

"Don't you think you ought to allow something for the holes in the doughnuts?" inquired Mrs. Newlywed.

"Very well, madam," replied the baker. "I'll allow you a penny for every hole you bring back."

BOYHOOD STORIES OF FAMOUS MEN

Anton Dvorak

A little boy peeked through a chink in the wall surrounding the palace.

The king's jester was dancing a jig to amuse his majesty, and the motions he went through put a tune into Anton's head. But the king was not pleased with the jester and told him to leave the court. Anton waited, and when the clown came out Anton followed him. The poor old jester was very sad because he had not pleased the king so he sat down and began to weep.

When Anton Dvorak grew up he composed a beautiful piece of music which he called "Humoresque." The first movement was the tune which had gone through his mind when the jester was dancing, and the second movement was inspired by the jester's tears

BLUEBIRD CONCERT IS MUSIC PAGEANT

Camp Fire Girls of Two Rivers, Wisconsin, are recognized nationally as leaders in their organization. Recently they gave a Camp Fire Blue Bird Concert and Dance.

The Town Opera House was decorated with blue birds, drapings, and flowers. Seven arches were erected on the stage to represent the seven periods of music. In each arch was a graceful pageant of girls dressed in the costume of the period.

The program of music and dance occupied the evening. The girls cleared $300.

OLD-LADY RIDDLE

Why is a wedding ring like eternity?

(Answer to last one: Cowardly soldiers are like butter because they run when exposed to fire.)

INDOOR MAGIC

MAGICIAN'S MAXIM: Do not cultivate quick movement; do not be painfully slow; try to do your tricks in a quiet, easy-going, graceful manner.

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The Vanishing Penny

Get two pennies that are as nearly alike as possible—same date and same appearance. Hide one somewhere, say under a vase on the mantle.

Get a big handkerchief with a wide hem and sew a third penny in the corner.

To do the trick come out with the remaining penny and ask every one to examine it thoroughly. Pretend that you are wrapping it in the handkerchief, but really slip it out of sight between your fingers. This may take a little practice, but it can be done.

Now let your spectators feel the handkerchief to be sure the penny is there. They will feel the penny sewed in the hem. Quickly blow on the handkerchief and command the penny to go under the vase on the mantle.

Shake the handkerchief out quickly in the direction of the vase. Apparently the penny has disappeared. Tell some one to look under the vase. There it is.

DOG STORIES

[Here is the prize "Dog Story" in a contest conducted by the Rockford (Ill.) Star:]

When I was about five years old my mother let me take my little baby sister out in the baby buggy. I lived in a small village and knew the way through the whole town.

I took my sister out near the edge of town. It was in the winter and there was a little pond of ice along the sidewalk. I was going to take a slide and didn't want to leave my sister and the buggy standing on the sidewalk so I took the buggy on the ice and the ice broke through. I couldn't push it out and nobody was around except the neighbor's dog that went with me. I didn't know what to do so, when I turned around to see if anybody was coming, the dog got under the handle and pushed it out. It was getting late so I had to hurry home but I never forgot the dog's kindness.

Gladys Breaw,
1912 Melrose Street,
Rockford, Ill.

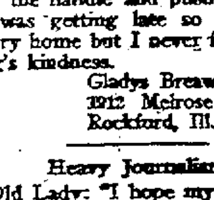
Heavy Journalism

Old Lady: "I hope my boy, you don't sell papers on Sunday."

Small Boy (sadly): "No, mum. I ain't big enough to carry a Sunday edition yet."

WHO IS HE?

A famous American cardinal.



(Last one: Horace Greeley, founder of New York Tribune.)

OLD MAN PUZZLE

Rearrange the nine digits, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, in three numbers of three digits each, so that the first number is exactly one-third of the third, and the second is the result of subtracting the first from the third.

(Answer to last one: [illegible])

QUESTION FOR DEBATE

Resolved: That earrings are a nuisance.

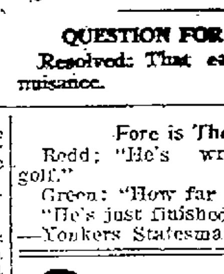
Fore is The Word

Redd: "He's writing a book on golf."

Green: "How far has he got?"

"He's just finished the fore-word."
—Yonkers Statesman.

Sure Relief



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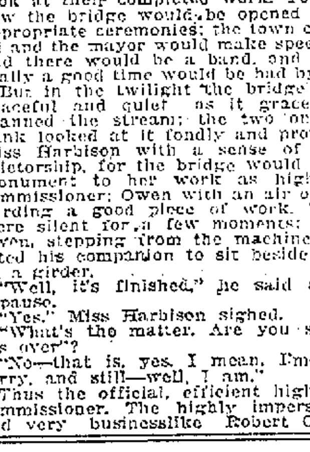
$1.25 per sq. yd. Linoleum for	$1.00	$1.50 Oil Window Shades for	$1.10

$80.00 Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet, special for — $60.00
$80.00 Sellers' Kitchen Cabinet, special for — $60.00
$15.00 Special Felted Mattress during this sale for — $10.50

206-208 Main St. NELSON'S La Crosse, Wis.

Grandma Says:



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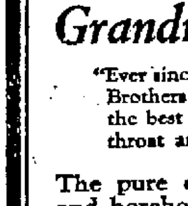

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BUILD MORE SCHOOLS RATHER THAN DOUBLE UP URGES JOHNSON

MADISON, Wis.—State Treasurer Johnson is in favor of building more school houses in the rural sections in preference to doubling up the schools and thus lessening the number of buildings. "By removing the school from a community," says Mr. Johnson, "we are removing the best landmark, especially in the northern part of the state. The best advertisement to bring in settlers is a school house." So many applications have been received by the land commissioners for loans from state funds that the following letter has been sent to the governor by the state treasurer:

"Subsection 2 of Section 20.05 of the Statutes provides that the governor, secretary of state and state treasurer may, when they consider there are sufficient funds, pay off indebtedness to the common school fund.

"I am at this time calling your attention to the fact that there are on file in the land office applications from school districts and municipalities to the amount of more than $1,200,000. The funds available at tax time will be about $1,000,000.

"The state finances are such, that I believe we can at this time transfer to the common school fund on the indebtedness the sum of $300,000. This will in many instances help districts to build new school houses.

"Will you please give this matter consideration and if favorable, call a meeting of the board to act upon the suggestion?"

The height of the heels on shoes worn by Medieval Venetians indicated the rank of the wearer.

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Sateen Petticoats $1 Black and colors, $1.95 values .....

Brassieres $1 Values to $1.95 .....

Waists $1 In cotton stripes, Voiles, Organdies and Silk, values to $4.95, at ----------

Underwear $1 Envelopes in white and flesh and silk Camisoles, values to $2.50, at ----------

CHILDREN'S FLANNELETTE GOWNS and SLEEPERS, values to $2.50 $1 .....

Underwear $2 Gowns, Envelopes and Camisoles and Silk Vests, values to $4.50, at ----------

Middy Blouses $2 "Paul Jones" Blouses, values to $3.50 .....

Children's Dresses $2 in gingham and white organdie, values to $5.95, at--

Brassieres $2 Values to $3.50 .....

Hose $2 In silk and wool, values to $3.50 .....

Knit Underwear $2 Values to $4.00 .....

Flannelette Gowns $2 Values to $3.95, at .....

House Dresses and Aprons, values to $5.95 $2 .....

Underwear $3 In silk Envelopes, Silk Vests and Knickers and Camisoles, values to $5.00, at --------

Waists $3 Stripe Voiles, Organdies and Silk, values to $5.95

Corsets and Brassieres $3 Values to $5.00, at .....

Special in Silk Hose $3 $3.75 values, at .....

Children's Dresses $3 Values to $7.95, at .....

Gowns $3 Flannelettes and Muslins, values to $4.50, at .....

Slip-On Sweaters $3 Values to $5.95, at .....

Children's Sweaters $3 Values to $5.95, at .....

ALL SILK JERSEY Petticoats $4 Values to $7.95, at .....

LONG ALL SILK Bloomers $4 Values to $7.50, at .....

CHILDREN'S Bath Robes $4 $5.95 values, at .....

Waists $4 Georgette, Crepe de Chine and Lingerie, values to $7.95, at ----------

Crepe de Chine Envelopes Muslin Gowns and Pajamas $4 Values to $6.95, at --------

Brassieres $4 Sold formerly up to $6.50, at .....

Jap. Kimonos $4 In cotton crepe embroidered, values to $5.95, at -----

Children's Dresses $4 All gingham and Middy Dresses, valued to $8.75 at

Sweaters $5 Slip-on and coat styles, in Women's and Children's sizes, values to $13.75, at--

Beacon Bath Robes $5 Robes for Women, Misses and Children, values to $10, at ----------

Crepe de Chine ENVELOPES and GOWNS $5 Values to $10.00, at ....

Corsets $5 Regular values to $8.50, at .....

Brushed Wool Scarfs $5 Sold formerly up to $8.95, at .....

Silk Jersey Petticoats $5 and Long Bloomers, values to $10.00, at .....

Middies $5 In all wool navy serge, values to $7.95, at ----------

Georgette Waists $5 Also satin, crepe de chine and lingerie, values to $10, at ----------

SOCIETY

SHEPPARD-TOWNER BILL IS ENDORSED BY WOMAN'S CLUB

THE TWENTIETH CENTURY club met on Tuesday afternoon at the Y. W. C. A. rooms with a good attendance. The first part of the program was devoted to business, among other things, a discussion of the Sheppard-Towner bill. The club voted to go on record favoring the bill. The program was then in charge of Mrs. C. A. MacCarthy and Mrs. C. J. Sleer, with papers on "The Organization of the New Government." Mrs. W. D. Iden was in charge of the second part of the program, speaking of two Chicago poets, Edgar Lee Masters and Carl Sandberg. The hostesses were Mrs. R. H. Herbert and Mrs. H. C. Barr.

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THE MEN'S LEAGUE of the Bethel Lutheran church, George and Sill streets, will meet Thursday evening at the church parlors and will be entertained by Emil Evenson. A program of vocal and instrumental music and a speech by Harry Robinson will be given. The public is invited.

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AT THE MID-WEEK meeting tonight at the First Methodist church, slides will be shown illustrative of child life in South America. Although these views will be enjoyed by all, they will be of special interest to young people, and it is hoped that a large number of the members of the church and congregation will be in attendance.

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THE MEMBERS of the Music Study club will meet Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Charlotte Loomis, 415 South Tenth street.

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IT WAS Mrs. Edward Scanlan, 532 South Eighth street, who was surprised on Sunday by a party of friends in compliment to her birthday, instead of Mrs. C. C. Scanlan, 735 Seventeenth Place, as announced.

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AT THE REGULAR meeting of Gateway Temple, No. 19, order of Pythian Sisters, the following officers were elected: Past chief, Dora Cohen; M. E. C., Jessie Ruplin; E. S., Daisy Ledger; E. J., Saga Eckdale; manager, Elizabeth Berling; M. of F., Carrie Briebach; M. of R. C., Franklin; protector, Dagney Senstad; guard, Harriet Smith; representative to grand temple, Etta Mairich and alternate, Dora Cohen; trustee for three years, Ada Weber.

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A SON, Charles Drake, was born today, Wednesday, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles John Whiting of Ortonville, Minn.

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ROSE GROVE, No. 4, R. N. A. elected the following officers at its last meeting: Guardian, Emma Knebes; adviser, Margaret Carey; clerk, Anna Ryan; assistant clerk, Anna Ziegelmaier; banker, Mabel Brown; attendant, Irene Yehle; assistant attendant, Annie Orcutt; chaplain, Helen Clark; inner sentinel, Alta Young; outer sentinel, Grace Noyes; managers, Clara Willett, Louise Whippel and Emma Ritter.

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THE FOLLOWING officers were elected by Harmony camp, No. 4121, R. N. A.: Oracle, Amanda Flemmer; vice oracle, Anetta Kienzele; chancellor, Mary Brannwell; recorder, Phebe Braun; receiver, Agnes Peck; marshall, Mary Vondrashek; inner sentinel, Bessie Hess; outer sentinel, Emma Roberts; manager, Jessie Bummert; delegate to state convention, Amanda Flemmer and alternate, Pauline Walker.

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NEWS HAS BEEN received of the marriage of Charles M. Everson of this city and Mrs. Tillie Stramlie of Stoughton, which took place at Rockford, Ill.

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STROUD-CHALSMA

THE WEDDING of Miss Sadie M. Chalsma, daughter of Mrs. Claus Chalsma, of New Amsterdam, Wisconsin, and Benjamin M. Stroud of Macon, Georgia, took place Monday, December 6th, at 6 p. m. at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. J. S. Ostby, at Highland Heights, Memphis Tenn. The bride wore her traveling suit of dark blue with squirrel trimming and hat to match. Supper was served to near friends and relatives after which they left on a honeymoon to Georgia and Florida, and after January 1st they will be at home at Memphis, Tennessee.

City Briefs

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Margaret Cushing, state manager for the Woodmen Circle was present at the meeting Friday night.

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Judge Higbee is holding court in Milwaukee until Friday. He will return to La Crosse for motion day in circuit court here next Saturday.

Piano Tuning $2.50, Birdsell 1384-C.

"Sunrise Flour" when ordering.

Holiday cards, books and novelty gifts. Irene Baker, 124 So. 7th St.

Osteopathy—Dr. Jorris, Newburg Bg.

Aluminum Water bottles, $3.00 at Hebberd's.

Dance, Yeoman hall Thursday, Dec. 16, Clark's Ragadours. Dancing until 1 a. m.

Rohr Bros. Painters, paperhangers, decorators. Phone 521-C or 1153-M.

Phone 179 before 6 p. m. for baggage calls. Gateway City Transfer Co.

Mrs. Alice Foley is ill at Grandview hospital.

Minstrel Revue: The Fourth Annual Minstrel Revue will be staged again by the young people of St. Wenceslaus church Thursday evening, December 16 at 8 p. m. in the school auditorium, 10th and Winnebago Sts. This is to accomodate those holding tickets for the previous performance who could not be admitted and those who could not purchase admission at the box office, owing to lack of seating capacity. Tickets 35c.

Doctors Houck and Crowell. Suites 201-202, Rivoli Bldg.

Waterman's Fountain Pens at Hebberds.

Armory Hall, Dance Sat. and Sun. Crouse's Ragadours.

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Elks' Concert, Sunday, Dec. 19th, 3 p. m.. Elks' hall. Admission 30c. War tax extra.

George Sprain of West Salem was a La Crosse visitor on Tuesday.

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Xmas Dolls and toys at Affeldt's Handy Store, 1425 Market.

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Fresh Eggs at Smale's.

Ben Larson, West Salem, has returned after visiting his father A. Larson, 1448 Caledonia.

$1.35 Voiles at $1.00 per yd. at Affeldt's Handy Store, 1425 Market.

Lotus Cafe and Annex—Steaks, Chops, Chop Suey.

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S. Davidson, Westby, is visiting relatives here.

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Chris Overgaard, of Holmen, is moving his household goods into his new home on the north side purchased from Bert Nelson.

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Christmas Seals, one cent each, on sale at Hebberd's and City Book Store.

Henry Wittenberg and party drove to Sparta Tuesday night to attend a meeting of the K. P's.

Eastman Kodaks at Hebberd's.

A daughter, Viola Florence, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Otto Muller, 1912 George street, December 9.

Ivory Pyralin Jewel boxes 20 percent off at Hebberd's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Gullickson, of West Salem, were visitors here yesterday.

A Pageant of Pilgrims at the Congregational church, Seventh and Main, tonight at 8 o'clock.

Mrs. D. M. Nelson, 1448 Caledonia street, has gone to Dubuque to spend the holidays.

Hemstitching and picot edging, 1217 Gillette, 1411 Green.

Miss Edith Kalefsky of Tomah is visiting relatives here.

We have Shrimp, La Crosse Fish Co. 250.

Mrs. Percy Drake and daughter Billie, have returned to their home at Adams. Mrs. Drake was in La Crosse to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Charles Schaeffer of Mill street, who was buried Tuesday.

Finnan Haddies at La Crosse Fish Co. 250.

Mrs. Martin Paulson, Lanesboro, Minn. has returned home after a visit here.

A Pageant of Pilgrims at the Congregational church, Seventh and Main, tonight at 8 o'clock.

Ben Fox, 24, and Walter Moyer, 22, Stevens Point, Wis., were sentenced to 15 days in jail for stealing a ride on the Milwaukee road. They were arraigned before Judge Brindley.

Jack Ryan is very ill at his home on Mill St. Mr. Ryan has been sick since the 3rd of September when he was run down by an auto on Fourth and Main.

The Ladies' Aid society of St. Paul's Lutheran church will meet Thursday afternoon in the church parlors. Mrs. O. M. Selund, Mrs. G. Smedal and Mrs. E. E. Moore will be hostesses. The Men's club of the church will meet Thursday night.

TUG SINKS IN STORM.

PORT HURON, Mich.—The tug Sport of this port sank in Lake Huron Monday night during a gale off Cove Island. The crew and captain after battling six hours in a heavy sea, reached shore in a lifeboat.

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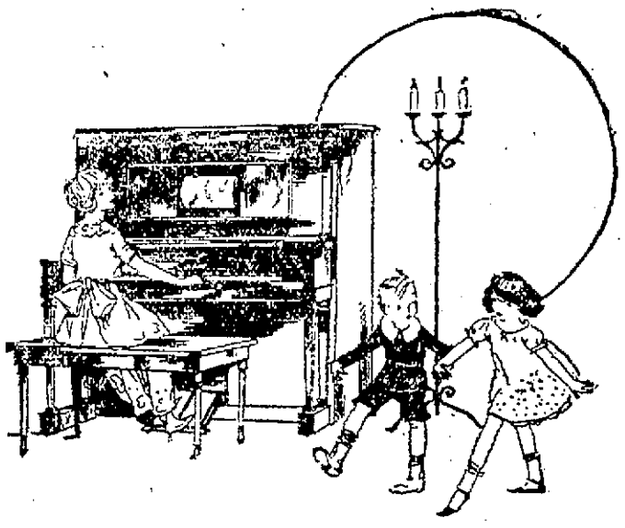

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WOMEN CANDIDATES RUN POORLY EXCEPT FOR SCHOOL BOARDS

BOSTON, Mass.—Women candidate except those for school committee places, fared poorly in the municipal election in sixteen Massachusetts cities yesterday, according to completed returns today.

In Attelboro, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, candidate for mayor, received only eighty-four votes out of 5,000.

Thirteen cities voted to accept the state act placing boxing under control of a state commission and to permit amateur sports on Sunday afternoon.

Six showed themselves still in favor of licensing the sale of intoxicating liquors under the old local option law, although the law is without effect under national prohibition.

ELIZABETH KELLY GIVES AN INSPIRING TALK HERE TUESDAY

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country is alone responsible. Miss Kelly stated that there are at present 500 relief workers operating in the Armenian field. She declared that the expense to the public as a whole involved by these workers in the Near East is very small because of the fact that the overhead charges and expenses are paid by individuals who have generously donated in order that the task of these relief workers might be accomplished. "ninety-nine and six tenths percent of every dollar collected in America for relief work goes directly to Armenia," she declared.

Dixon Elected Chairman

In her final appeal, Miss Kelly stated that America must continue to aid in the alleviation of the existing conditions in Armenia and come to the rescue of the 110,000 Armenian children suffering from want of clothing and food.

At the business meeting following the lecture given by Miss Kelly, Rev. E. C. Dixon was elected chairman of the local committee to succeed Rev. C. C. Rowlinson who resigned recently. The local organization was not entirely effected at the meeting last night, it being decided to elect other officers at a meeting representing all of the local societies to be held later. It was urged that every church take an offering for the relief work at the Sunday services unless the people have already pledged their benevolences otherwise.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Charles H. Rowan, on trial here for several days on charges of using the mails to defraud, was found guilty by a federal jury Wednesday after an all-night session.

Rowan was charged with failure to fulfill a promise to buy back the offspring of rabbits and white mice which he sold to customers.

CLAM ON LID TO RESTRICT SALE OF LIQUOR AS MEDICINE

The lid is to be clamped down air-tight on sale of alcoholic liquors for medicinal purposes in Wisconsin, Prohibition Commissioner T. T. Hazelberg announced Wednesday in presenting a new set of rules for pharmacists. He said the rules would be rigidly enforced under penalty to prevent indiscriminate granting of doctors' prescriptions for intoxicants. The new regulations go into effect at once.

Detailed record of each prescription is ordered including signatures of patient, doctor and pharmacists.

Intoxicating liquor is held to be any alcoholic liquor containing one-half of one per cent alcohol by volume and all malt liquors.

MAN FOUND DEAD IN GALVESTON BELIEVED MISSING CANADIAN

GALVESTON, Texas.—The finding of a coroner's jury inquiry into the death of an unidentified man here Monday will not be rendered until after the arrival of Mrs. John F. Hammill from Ottawa, Canada, who is enroute to Texas. The inquest Tuesday disclosed what was considered positive evidence however, that the body was that of John P. Hammill, who had been missing from Ottawa since Nov. 11.

The man was found Monday in a dying condition, probably from exhaustion and exposure. No sign of violence was in evidence.

MIDDY AND BLOOMER COSTUME DONNED BY ART SCHOOL STATUES

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla.—Visitors at the Florida winter art school exhibition Wednesday found the nude statues garbed in middie blouses and bloomers. Recently the Christian Civic league censured the nude art at the school, and today several figures suspended from the ceiling by strings tied around the necks were labelled "Lynched by the Christian Civic league."

TIRE INDUSTRY IS REPORTED ON UPGRADE

AKRON, Ohio.—The upward turn in the automobile tire industry was reached this month, according to announcement Tuesday by F. A. Seiberling, president of the Goodyear Tire & Rubber company. Goodyear sales for the first two weeks in December, the statement says, increased 42 per cent to dealers and 76 per cent to manufacturers over the first half of November.

CAMERON MOTOR COMPANY CLOSES TO HONOR DODGE

Local Establishment Halts During Funeral of Late Auto Manufacturer

The Cameron Motor Car company, 127-129 South Sixth street, was closed from 2 to 4 o'clock this afternoon as a mark of respect for the memory of Horace E. Dodge, of the Dodge Bros. Motor company, whose funeral was held within those hours today in Detroit, Mich. Mr. Dodge died December 10 in Palm Beach, Fla.

Dealers in Dodge automobiles all over the country closed their places of business today for two hours, W. D. Cameron said.

"Knowing that each member of our organization will wish a word from us at this time and as an acknowledgment of the messages of sympathy and loyalty received from everyone, we wish to say that the founders of the business built it on a solid rock foundation of honesty, integrity and good will and that not even the passing of our dear president, Mr. Horace E. Dodge, will in the slightest degree affect the continuity or policies of the business. In faithful accord with his expressed wish, every policy and principle around which the business has grown will continue to dominate it for all time and under the expressed authority of the owners of the business we wish to say there will be no pause nor hesitation. The business will be conducted as John and Horace Dodge had planned. The plant goes on.

"DODGE BROTHERS."

John Dodge died a year ago.

Obituary

CHARLES MCARTNEY

The funeral of Charles, the 10 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Earl McCartney, 319 Caledonia street, who died yesterday, was held at 2 p. m. today. Interment in Oak Grove cemetery, after services at Dwyer's chapel.

Walnuts were cultivated by the Romans in the reign of Tiberius.

POLICE ROUND UP YOUTHS CONNECTED WITH THEFTS HERE

Boys Being Held at the County Jail Pending Disposal of Case Saturday

The local police department has succeeded in rounding up a number of youths who have been connected with robberies in the city during the past three or four months. Following the arraignment of the youths in county court Tuesday, they are being held in the county jail awaiting trial Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

According to information from the police, the boys have worked together in all of their deals and have confessed to robbing as many as twenty-five or thirty automobiles in the city of accessories, including robes, auto clocks, spotlights, flashlights and in one case took a revolver from a pocket in a car.

On Thanksgiving night the tribe entered a house and took a goose which had been prepared for Thanksgiving dinner. The police are in possession of many of the articles taken and the boys have identified them as being part of the loot resulting from their experiences. Chief J. B. Webber states that people may come to the station and identify articles which they may have missed.

They will be held in the county jail until Saturday when the case will be heard in Judge Brindley's court.

STILL IS DISCOVERED RACINE MAN SUICIDES

RACINE, Wis.—Nels Nelson, 45, suicided by blowing the top of his head off with a shotgun Tuesday in a shack located near North Cape. It is believed fear of arrest in connection with the recent discovery of a still on the premises prompted the act.

SNOWBOUND

IRONWOOD, Mich.—The Gogebic Range was cut off from the rest of the world except through telephone communication by a snowstorm which swept over that region Tuesday and Wednesday stopping all trains, street cars and all other traffic over the range.

AIR TRAFFIC RULES FOR GOTHAM BEFORE THE CITY FATHERS

NEW YORK—Regulation of air traffic over New York city is provided in an ordinance to be submitted to the board of aldermen. The ordinance would stipulate 3,000 feet as the minimum altitude for airplanes over Manhattan and 5,000 feet over other boroughs. All "stunt" flying over the crowded streets would be prohibited.

BOYS SENT TO PEN

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Two of the three youths who confessed they killed James A. Borte, a grocer, in his store here the night of December 1, were sentenced to the penitentiary.

Percy Balmes, 18, who did the actual shooting, pleaded guilty to second degree murder and was given a life sentence, while his brother, Donold, 20, pleaded guilty in the third degree and must serve from seven to thirty years.

Raoul Carlson, 17, will go to trial late today on an indictment charging first degree murder. He was the third member of the trio.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—William J. Carroll, 45, well known Milwaukee lawyer, died Tuesday following a slight operation on his nose. An infection set in following the operation. Recently a slight obstruction annoyed him when breathing.

Mr. Carroll in his college days played football at Marquette university and baseball at the University of Wisconsin.

BIG BILL AGAINST UNCLE SAM IS DUE

WASHINGTON.—A bill for $840,000,000 against the government falls due Wednesday and at the same time the treasury is to collect $650,000,000 in income and excess profits taxes.

About $700,000,000 in treasury certificates of indebtedness matured Wednesday and at the same time the semi-annual interest on the first Liberty loan and the Victory Liberty loan aggregating about $140,000,000 became payable. In order to provide for current expenses and to meet the remainder of the heavy obligations which mature in January including $300,000,000 in certificates, Secretary Houston has offered two new issues of certificates aggregating about $500,000,000.

May Admit Austria

It appeared that Austria would probably be admitted to the league without opposition, and that Bulgaria would also be accorded membership. In her case, however, France, it was said, would probably refuse to vote. It seemed probable that Brazil would again be given a place on the council and that a similar honor would be given Spain. China had many supporters as a successor to Greece and it appeared Norway would replace Belgium. Many delegates were expected to support Belgium when the election takes place.

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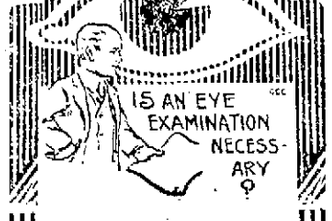

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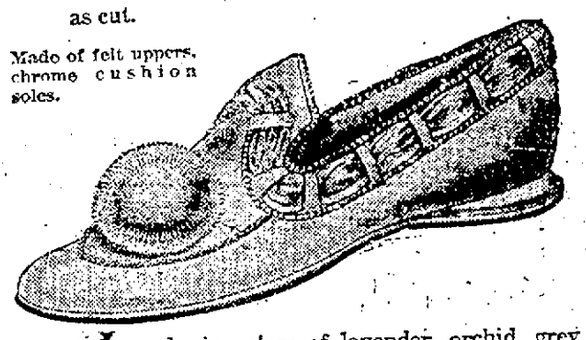

Women's $2.50 grade, in colors of lavender, orchid, grey, blue, old rose, taupe, American Beauty, wine, brown. Sizes 3 to 8, at $1.95

Same styles and colors in Women's as above in $3.00 grade, sizes 3 to 8, at $2.35

Also Women's Comfy Slippers as style above in wine and brown, $2.00 grade, sizes 3 to 8, at $1.45

Men's Comfy Slippers, made as above, $2.50 grade, sizes 6 to 11, at $1.95

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HEALTH EXAMINATION NECESSARY FOR CHILD WORKER IN MILWAUKEE

No Permit Issued to Minors Without Health Certificates from a Physician

MADISON, Wis.—Physical examinations are now required in all cases before any regular child labor permits are issued in Milwaukee. This policy has been carried out for approximately a year by the industrial commission, in co-operation with the Milwaukee health department.

No regular permit is issued unless a physician has certified that the child is physically qualified for employment. Children who have serious defects, which are not entirely disqualifying, are granted provisional permits, and subsequently called in for re-examinations. In this manner it is possible for children to earn enough money to pay for having their teeth fixed and other defects corrected, practically all physical examinations of children applying for permits are made free of charge by the city health department. From March 15 to November 1 of this year, 3,098 children applied for regular permits in Milwaukee. Of these only one-half, 1,505, were found to have no serious physical defects. Of the other 1,593 children, 319 were granted regular permits because the defects found were not considered sufficiently serious to require re-examination. Provisional permits were granted to 1,283 children, among whom there were 940 cases of seriously defective teeth and 751 cases of trouble with tonsils and adenoids. Through this method of granting only provisional permits, the majority of these children have now corrected these defects, and have been able to earn enough money to pay for the necessary medical and dental treatment.

In other states physical examinations for permits have meant merely the refusal of permits to children in a very serious condition. Under the Wisconsin plan permits are absolutely refused only in comparatively few cases in which employment is positively harmful. In other cases the children are aided in correcting the defects found through the system of provisional permits.

EXPLORING PARTY UNCOVERS RUINS OF PREHISTORIC TOWN

NEW YORK.—Discovery of the ruins of a pre-historic village and cemetery in which were many relics of great value, in the Navajo county in New Mexico, was announced Wednesday by the American Museum of Natural history. The discovery was made by an exploration party, headed by Earl H. Morris, which has been conducting excavation in the Pueblo community dwelling at Aztec, New Mexico.

Fragments of polished pottery, glistening in the sun, led the party to the new discovery. Hundreds of pottery vessels of artistic design and scores of ancient tombs, which revealed many interesting habits of living, were unearthed. There had been more than twenty dwellings in the village varying in size from four to as many as fifty rooms.

BRINGING UP FATHER

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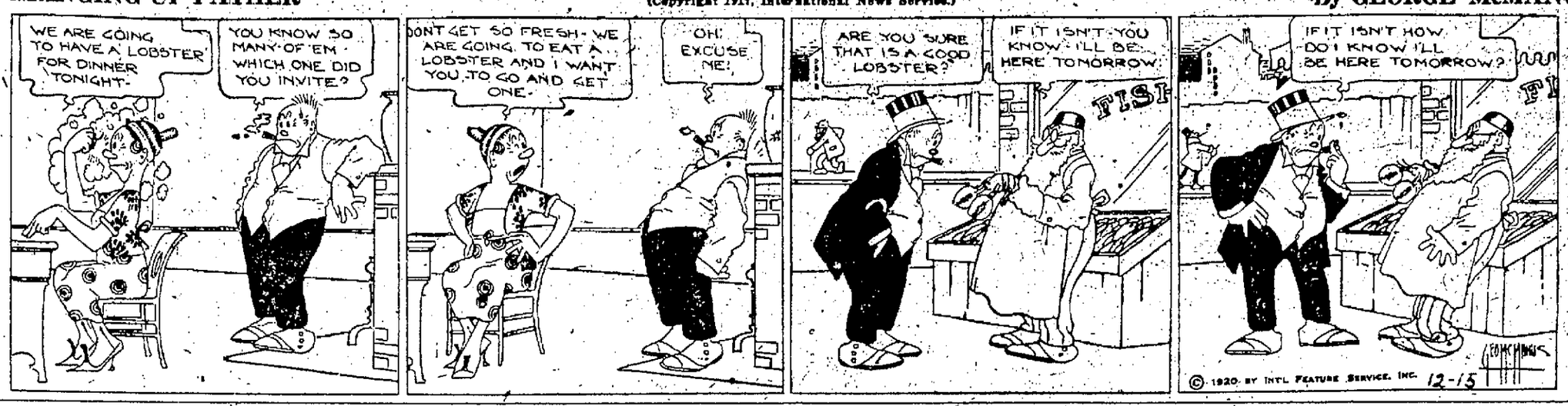
By GEORGE McMANUS



ONE-BUCK LAW IS FAVORED BY STATE GAME ASSOCIATION

Oppose Proposed Law for Two-Year Closed Season on Deer in Wisconsin

MADISON, Wis.—The Wisconsin Game Protective Association will go on record Wednesday afternoon in favor of the one buck law for the shooting of deer and against the proposed law for a two year closed season. Assemblyman Mark Catlin, Appleton, president of the association, said if there is a closed season on all deer for one year or even two, more hunters will go into the woods when the season is again opened and kill off more than are produced during the closed season. He advocated a limit of seven in one day for partridge, grouse and prairie chicken as against three, advocated by the Conservation Commission. He called attention to the fact that the open season for muskrats begins on Nov. 15 and stated that in the last two years there has been a freeze-up before that date, and advocated an earlier season.

He declared that through netting Lake Winnebago is being robbed of its game fish, and he urged the Association to go on record in opposition to private fish hatcheries on public waters.

"The protection of our fish and game serves two purposes," said Governor Elect Blaine to the Association, "namely, the commercial and utilitarian purpose, and the aesthetic or sportsmanship purpose. Our fields, forests and waters abound in wild life. To continue that abundance of wild life means to offer to the people of Wisconsin an opportunity for recreation, and serves the purpose of affording them the possibility of supplying that which makes life possible.

"An island is a body of land surrounded by water, and in this respect Wisconsin comes near being an island for it is bounded on every side except the southern boundary by lakes and rivers. Our state possesses hundreds of inland lakes, and borders upon two of the great inland waters of the world and its rivers flow in every direction. These, with our forests, make ideal places for the refuge of wild life, whether fish or game, and these combinations created for us make Wisconsin the great recreation center of the Northwest.

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The Screen

AT THE CASINO

It's a western story, but not a shot is fired! That is, not by the hero, even though he is a gunman whose forte is "Plain shooting, neatly done!" This story by Eugene Manlove Rhodes in which Harry Carey was seen at the Casino Theater yesterday is truly "different."

"West is West" is the title. It is the west of today, where the biggest gold and copper mines in the world are located. The picture was filmed by Universal at one of these—the United Verde—and contains pictures made a quarter of a mile deep in the bowels of the earth.

Harry Carey plays the role of a man who stakes his saddle, his horse and his gun on a full house—to find that the other fellow has four aces. Broke, he accepts a job at a mine only to learn that he is a strike-breaker. Without firing a shot he had previously rescued a young girl from threatened disaster. Now, without firing a shot he turns a threatened fight between strikebreakers and miners into a jest, manages to show up the traitorous superintendent who fostered the strike for his own gain, again, without firing a shot, faces the bullets of the gunmen who think a fight is on.

AT THE STRAND

A story of tangled loves and blinded romance—that's "The Invisible Divorce," a National Picture, which comes to the Strand tonight.

The photoplay illustrates the pitfalls that beset the paths of persons who start their romantic journey along the marital highway without considering the possibilities of bumps and ruts in the road.

Jimmy Ryder and his bride, "Fidgie," set out youthfully to conquer the world, but adverse circumstances cause a setback. Love flies out of the window as poverty enters. Then there comes a reversion of infatuation upon Jimmie's part to a former flame, and complications that entangle hearts and embitter lives ensue. Before the storm abates and the clouds roll by, there is many a dramatic and emotion-firing moment.

"The Invisible Divorce" was written by Leila Burton Wells, directed by Thomas R. Mills, and among its leading players are Walter McGrail, Leatrice Joy, Walter Miller, Grace Darmond, and Tom Bates.

the three acts being marvels of beauty and picturesqueness. And in the matter of the company they have spared no expense, the players being well known to the musical comedy stage. But it is to the chorus they point with particular pride, the girls being the prettiest galaxy to decorate a musical play in several seasons.

"HELLO, ALEXANDER"

The Messrs. Lee and J. J. Shubert will present McIntyre and Heath in the new spectacular musical extravaganza, "Hello Alexander," at the La Crosse theater, for an engagement of one night, Thursday, December 22. This, the most pretentious production in which these celebrated blackface comedy stars have ever appeared, ran for many weeks at the 44th Street theater in New York and at the Garrick theater in Chicago, attracting great audiences and declared an altogether novel and delightful offering. McIntyre and Heath recently celebrated the forty-sixth anniversary of their stage partnership establishing by a wide margin a record unique in the annals of the theater.

ARBUCKLE COMING

Roscoe Arbucle, long a favorite in short comedies, makes his bow as the star in feature pictures as "Slim Hoover," the fat sheriff, in George Melford's production of "The Round Up" for Paramount, which will be shown at the Rivoli Theater Thursday, Friday and Saturday. In it he has a role which not only offers him every opportunity for the expression of his individual type of humor, but presents him as an actor of varied talents hitherto unsuspected by his admirers.

"The Round Up," written by Edmund Day was produced in New York in August 1907. A highly dramatic story of Indians and rough and ready plainsmen, the big scene of the stage play was a battle in a narrow Arizona canyon. In the screen version, this scene, staged in natural surroundings with hundreds of Indians, frontiersmen and soldiers, gains tremendously in its melodramatic appeal.

Supporting Mr. Arbuckle is an unusual cast which includes Tom Forman, who also wrote the scenario for "The Round Up," Mabel Julienne Scott, Irving Cummings, Wallace Beery, Jane Acker, Edward Sutherland, Guy Oliver, Lucien Littlefield and Jane Wolf.

The Roumanian language is a Latin dialect.

INCENDIARIES AT WORK

UNIONTOWN, Pa.—Fire Wednesday destroyed the Fair Chance Lumber company plant at Fair Chance with an estimated loss of $50,000. State police believe it is another act of the gang of incendiaries who have been operating in Fayette county the past few months.

BIG CAST IN WALSH FILM

The cast of "The Deep Purple," R. A. Walsh's first independent production, presented by Mayflower, consists of fifteen principals recruited from five different fields of entertainment. Included in the number are four Broadway stage favorites; two widely known screen players; one Ziegfeld Follies star, and one well known vaudeville and circus performer.

The leading feminine role in "The Deep Purple," which will be the feature attraction at the Majestic Theatre, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday is portrayed by Miriam Cooper who has been featured under Walsh's direction in a number of special productions including "The Honor System," "Betrayed," "The Woman and the Law," and "Evangeline."

Helen Ware, one of the best known emotional actresses on the legitimate stage plays the part of Kate Fallon. Miss Ware is best remembered for her performances in "The Third Degree."

The "heavy" in "The Deep Purple" is in the capable hands of Vincent Serrano whose name has been "incandescened" on Broadway for a number of years. In addition to supporting the late Richard Mansfield in Shakespearean repertoire, Serrano has been featured in such notable stage successes as "Arizona," "A Little Brother of the Rich," "The Lure" and "De Luxe Annie."

Stuart Sage, who is scoring an emphatic success in "Shavings," the Joseph Lincoln play now running at the Knickerbocker Theater, New York, is cast in the leading masculine role opposite Miss Cooper.

Another prominent member of Walsh's cast is William B. Mack, whose list of successful appearances covers many of the biggest stage hits of the past decade. Mr. Mack created the role of Jim Carson in "Within The Law," and the role of General Grant in "The Littlest Rebel."

CHRISTMAS ATTRACTION

"Katzenjammer Kids," the latest cartoon musical comedy to be produced, under the direction of George M. Gatts, comes to the La Crosse theater for matinee and night Christmas day, transporting the pictures to the stage of John P. Mulgrew, who wrote the book and lyrics, preserved "all the funny characters whose antics have delighted thousands, young and old, and they are just as funny behind the footlights as in the colored supplements, with the added advantage of appearing in the flesh. Donald H. Bestor has provided a musical score that is said to contain many tuneful song hits, and the new musical play is said to be a delightful entertainment from start to finish. The producers have been lavish to the point of extravagance in making their production of "Katzenjammer Kids"

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WISCONSIN HIGHWAY ENGINEER IS SPEAKER AT NATIONAL MEET

Hirst Addresses Washington Convention on Service Value of Rural Roads

WASHINGTON—Several outstanding propositions relating to highway construction were laid down and vigorously maintained in an address delivered Tuesday evening by Chief Engineer A. R. Hirst of Wisconsin highway commission before the annual meeting of American Association of State Highway Officials on "Relative Service Value of Different Types of Rural Pavements." Mr. Hirst's first proposition was that the states must adopt uniform standards for the loads to be borne by roads of different classes of importance. The condemnation of American highway engineers, he said, for having built roads which did not stand up under the intense motor truck traffic of recent years was as unreasonable as it would be to condemn railroad engineering for the failure of bridges under 200-ton locomotives, which were built for 20-ton engines. "It would seem that it might be clear to even the feeblest minded that it is not going to be possible for vehicle designers to turn loose upon highways any behemoth their ingenuity may design, when they feel like doing so. It isn't possible to reconstruct the highway system of America every few months."

His second proposition was that the almost total disregard in American highway construction of the comfort, convenience and economy of the traveling public during construction or maintenance was to be severely condemned. A "public-be-damned" policy he said has been carried out. The traveling public has been looked upon as an interloper, with no possible business but to foot the bills. The traveler has been forced into unmarked detours which have impaired his vehicle, his clothes and his religion, and brought enormous economic loss.

A third proposition was that in weighing the merits of two or more types of pavement, the factor of interest on the original investment should enter in. The assumption that public money when once spent is gone, and that the public should demand no return upon its investment is wrong.

A fourth proposition was that in designing pavements width must be considered a factor in the length of service. We have been designing pavements of too narrow width, and have thus multiplied our troubles. "The conduct of all pavements, especially of those that are called inferior pavements, such as water-bound macadams, gravels and the lesser non-rigid types is good or bad in almost absolutely direct proportion to their width." The superiority under traffic of the macadam highways in England and France has been due largely, Mr. Hirst believes, to the great width of pavement and the consequent distribution of traffic.

Another of Mr. Hirst's propositions was that: "Any discussion of the service value of any type of pavement has no basis unless the assumption is made that good maintenance protects the pavement and gives it a chance to serve.

Mr. Hirst's final and most important proposition was that: "The road problem of American is not to build a few boulevards, but to build, maintain and keep always open a transportation system." This was strongly maintained by the speaker because as he said the theorists and school men held to the **contrary**.

Christmas card manufacture has long been one of the big industries of Bavaria.

Napoleon's handwriting was decidedly illegible.

ROSE OF PLYMOUTH IS HIGH SCHOOL EVENT ON FRIDAY

As a fit celebration for the Pilgrim Tercentenary held this year, the Masquer Dramatic club of the La Crosse high school, will present the "Rose of Plymouth," one of the most popular of the modern Pilgrim plays. This play will be given in the high school auditorium next Friday, at eight o'clock.

The story is centered about Rose La Noye, a pretty French girl, who being friendly to Garrett Foster, who she discovers is a thief, protects him, and the two become great friends. John Margeson is also smitten by Rose's charms, but finds he is better liked by the Captains pretty cousin.

Rose announces her engagement to John Margeson, because of Garrett's arrogance, but the thoughts of the settlers are turned to something more serious for news comes that the Indians are advancing, and soon they arrive at the very gates of the stockade.

Which man proves the braver, and who succeeded in acquiring the love of "Rose of Plymouth Town," are questions that can only be answered by seeing the play presented. The parts are admirably well played, and the credit for the coaching goes to Betsy Iden and Susie Carlton.

Cast of Characters

Rose of Plymouth ..... June Baldwin
Phyllis, her brother .. Allan Schilling
Miles Standish ..... Glen Murrie
Barbara, his wife .... Lenore Johnson
Aunt Resolute Story... Grace Bradfield
Marian Charingsley.. Margaret Spence
Garrett Foster ..... Carrol Stokke
John Margeson ..... Newell Holley

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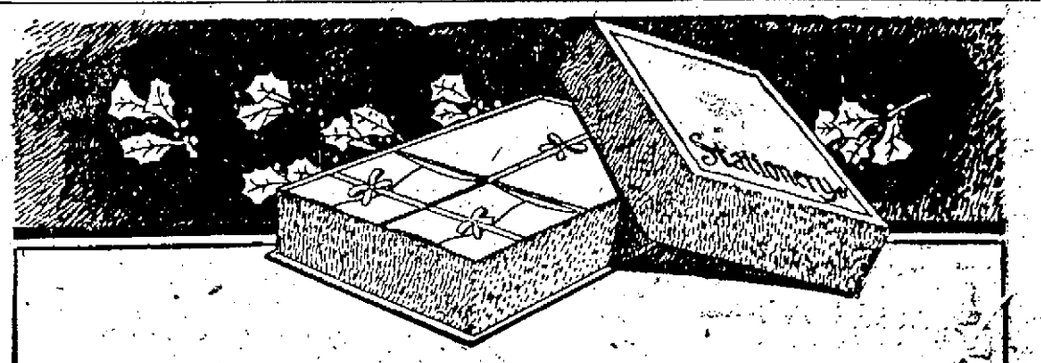

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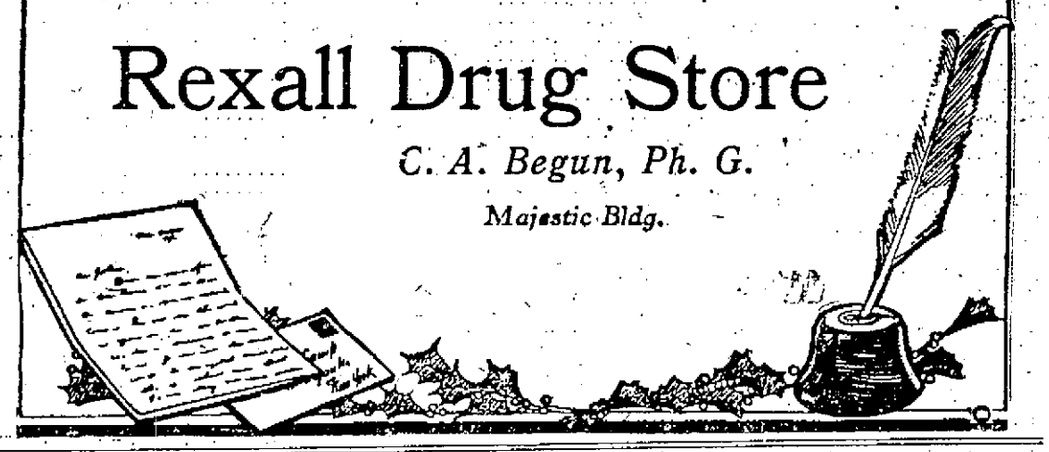

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BRENNAN INDICATES THAT HE WILL ASK FOR ANOTHER MATCH

Match Breaks all Records for Receipts; Over $200,000

NEW YORK. — Jack Dempsey, champion heavyweight boxer, knocked out Bill Brennan of Chicago in the twelfth round of their scheduled fifteen round championship match here.

The champion proved to be Brennan's master in nearly every stage of the bout, but the challenger withstood many hard blows in the wind and ribs through his magnificent physical condition. Many opinions were expressed by fans as to Dempsey's inability to finish Brennan quickly. When Dempsey did cut loose he made a quick job of it, however, but it was not until Brennan had shown he was unafraid of the champion's punches and had split Dempsey's left ear with a right hook.

May Ask Second Bout

Bill Brennan said today he intended to ask for another match. "I am not satisfied that Dempsey is my superior," he declared.

The challenger, while saying that he had vindicated himself, asserted he was "surprised" when the referee motioned him to his corner, believing that he had beaten the count in the twelfth.

Dempsey said: "Brennan was tougher than I expected. He stood up longer than I thought he would. His blows didn't hurt me at any time, but I found him a hard man to hit properly."

Dempsey's manager said the champion was not in the best of condition, having trained too hard.

Dempsey expects to leave for the Pacific coast tomorrow to remain until late in February when he will come back to train for his match when Jess Willard on St. Patrick's day.

Record Receipts

The match last night broke all records for receipts for an indoor affair in this country, according to unofficial estimates today. The 11,956 seats brought in $209,852.50. This does not take into account the receipts from about 1,000 temporary bleacher seats and 2,000 persons who obtained standing room. Deducting Dempsey's share of $100,000 and Brennan's guarantee of $35,000 last night, the promoters' estimated profit after paying taxes and expenses, probably will be about $13,000 it was estimated. The federal tax will be approximately $21,000 and the state tax $10,500.

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Guard	Callahan, Yale	Wilkie, Annapolis	Breidster, West Point
Center	Stein, Pittsburgh	Cunningham, Dartmouth	Havemeyer, Harvard
Guard	Woods, Harvard	Alexander, Syracuse	Trott, Ohio State
Tackle	Scott, Wisconsin	McMillan, California	Dickens, Yale
End	Fincher, Georgia Tech	Le Gendre, Princeton	Muller, California
Quarter	Lourie, Princeton	McMillin, Centre	Boynton, Williams
Halfback	Stinchcomb, Ohio State	Garrity, Princeton	Haines, Penn State
Halfback	Way, Penn State	Davies, Pittsburgh	Leech, Va. Mil. Inst.
Fullback	Gipp, Notre Dame	French, West Point	Horween, Harvard

LANSING HIGH TEAM SCORES WIN OVER GUTTENBERG QUINT

LANSING, Iowa. — The Lansing high school basketball team defeated the Guttenberg high quintet by a score of 24 to 17 in one of the fastest and most exciting games ever seen on the local floor. Although the local team was greatly outweighed by the visitors, they made up the lack of beef in speed.

Almost all of the ringers were scored from the center of the floor, neither team being able to work the ball under the basket for close shots. K. Roggensack, of the local team was the individual star in the shooting game, securing seven of the goals made by the Lansing team.

LEXINGTON, Ky. — In Jimmy Lech, captain and halfback of the undefeated Virginia military institute football team, it is claimed that institution possesses the leading individual point scorer in the south and possibly in the country during the past season. In nine games Lech ran up a grand total of 210 points, scoring 26 touchdowns, kicked 48 goals after touchdowns and two field goals.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—John Lawrence and Frank Muller, young infielders who have attracted attention by their playing with shipyard teams in the east, have been signed by the Milwaukee American association baseball club.

ELKS' BOWLING LEAGUE

The Moonshiners won two out of three from the Antlers at the Lotus alleys Tuesday night. Koppelberger came in for high total for the two-game winners hitting the pins for 524, while Bleekman rolled 491 high total among the members of the Antler team.

Featured by the work of A. A. Dusty in the last two games, the Bootleggers took the second and third games from the E-Z Marks. Dusty rolled high total for the Bootleggers, making 534, while Hodge rolled 473 for the Marks.

The Sharks took two out of three from the Bedmakers in the events at the La Crosse club alleys. Brahmer, member of the two-game winners rolling high total of 536, while Berling, of the Bedmakers topped his teammates with the total of 502.

The Trailers won three from the Home Brews by forfeit.

ANTLERS			
E. Erickson	158	136	154
Frisch	148	183	166
Von Wald	139	114	117
Bleekman	173	151	167
Handicap	50	66	56
Totals	668	650	660
MOONSHINERS			
Gantert	160	142	173
Loeffler	104	167	131
Koppelberger	136	202	186
Feak	102	115	145
Handicap	92	55	42
Totals	594	681	682
BOOTLEGGERS			
S. J. Thompson	137	158	132
A. A. Dusty	110	213	209
McGlachlin	104	98	134
Hurt	168	179	181
Fries	151	134	161
Handicap	106	64	57
Totals	766	848	871
E Z MARKS			
Darling	111	143	154
Robinson	146	133	130
Smith	148	157	121
Low score	134	98	131
Hodge	171	83	91
Handicap			
Totals	773	781	759
BEDMAKERS			
Hurtgen	163	173	137
Hart	163	189	145
Berling	148	171	183
Morley	133	136	126
Burgess	70	46	65
Handicap			
Totals	828	861	860
SHARKS			
Bonadurer	157	150	176
Boerner	170	157	156
Myer	174	107	166
Merman	113	137	124
Brahmer	162	180	193
Handicap	57	77	40
Totals	834	808	864
TRAILERS			
Reuter	189	188	138
Semsch	172	159	120
Phillips	127	151	168
Handicap	30	24	57
Totals	518	522	483
HOME BREWS			
Forfeit.			

PRAISES O'DOUL

SAN FRANCISCO—Ty Cobb states he has often wondered why Miller Huggins has never given Lefty O'Doul a chance to pitch. Cobb says that Detroit will claim O'Doul if Huggins ever asks waivers on him.

LEWIS HEADLOCK JARS CROWN OFF STECHER'S DOME

Champion Worn Down to Weakened Condition by Eight Successive Headlocks

NEW YORK. — Ed "Strangler" Lewis won the world's heavyweight catch as catch can wrestling championship last night by throwing Joe Stecher in 1:41:56 with a head and hip lock. Lewis weighed 228 pounds, twenty more than his opponent.

The finish was a spectacular one. Stecher was worn down to a weakened condition by eight successive headlocks in the last moments of the contest.

Headlocks Wear Down Champ

Stecher squirmed out of the first of these holds in thirty-five seconds, but as he arose Lewis got another, which he maintained for forty seconds. Stecher squirmed out and obtained a body scissors, his favorite hold, but by sheer strength Lewis broke away and clamped on another headlock, which lasted forty seconds.

The next three were of short duration, but Stecher appeared weak and groggy as he got to his feet.

Lewis then got the final finishing headlock, and, as he closed his left arm over Stecher's head, turned him with a hiplock, threw him heavily, and pinned his shoulders to the mat almost immediately.

PENN IS MIGHTY.

INDIANAPOLIS. — Babe Ruth's pen is as mighty as his bat. He autographed 500 baseballs that were sold here from $100 to $10 a piece for the benefit of the Gibault Home of the K. C.

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—Dallas, Texas, has been tentatively selected as the spring training camp of the champion Cleveland Americans.

NATIONAL LEAGUE RATIFIES NEW BALL CODE ON TUESDAY

Spitball Artists Allowed to Retain Delivery While They Remain in the Circuit

NEW YORK—The National league Tuesday in executive session ratified so far as it is concerned, the new national agreement, signed in triplicate by the eight clubs of the league and by the league president. This document will be up for the same procedure Friday, when the American league meets here.

The National league will conclude its session tomorrow, when a few threads of business will be picked up and tied together. Then the magnates will speed homeward. The Cubs team was represented at the meeting by President Veek and A. D. Lasker, who was directly responsible for the movement that brought about the new national agreement.

Slow Death for Spitball

One of the big questions thrashed out at the meeting was that of the spitball. After a rather lengthy debate on the question, with President Dreyfus of the Pirates leading the antis, it was agreed that all spitball artists—nine of them— now in the National league shall be allowed to retain their deceptive delivery until they have outlived their usefulness in the circuit. It was agreed that new talent along this line should be barred.

A thing of great interest to Chicago fans is the apparent exoneration of "Buck" Herzog in the Benton bribe case. President Heydler told newspaper men that the matter had not come up for discussion at the meeting, but that he had seen and talked to Herzog as well as Benton, and that he felt the unconfirmed word of Benton was not sufficient evidence to becloud the clean record of Herzog.

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1st—Hanson and Sherrer	1203
2nd—Kohn and Christopherson	1198
3rd—Smith and Hanson	1191
4th—Schneeberger and Hanson	1181
Alley 3—	
1st—Schneeberger and Bollrud	1200
2nd—Hanson and Bollrud	1186
3rd—Spoonick and Hanson	1183
4th—Scherrer and Hanson	1176
Alley 4—	
1st—Knutson and Bollrud	1216
2nd—Hanson and Sherrer	1170
3rd—Hunt and Schneeberger	1159
4th—Bollrud and Schneeberger	1152
4th—Wittenberg and Hunt	1152
Alley 5—	
1st—Hanson and Spoonick	1129
2nd—Knutson and Bollrud	1075
3rd—Burns and Ott	1071
4th—C. Hunt and Ott	1066

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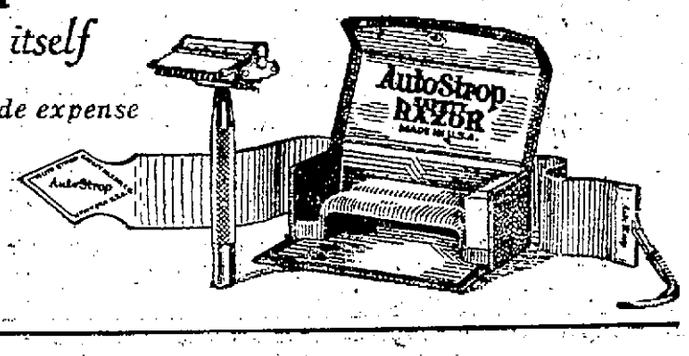

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FOR SALE—160 acre farm, half mile south of La Crescent. For particulars call at farm. William Horihan. 12 14 16

WANTED TO BUY—80-acre farm at once. 1112 S. 7th. 12 15 16

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PASSENGER Buick for sale. Call 820 Cass. 12 10 16

LOST AND FOUND

LOST—Wrist watch Monday at the Riviera. Finder return to Box office. Reward. Phone 1821-A. Hampton movement. Engraved "Gladys" on back. 12 15 15

LOST—On Fourth street between Vine and Badger, package containing one silk camisole and handkerchiefs. Phone 2196-A. Reward. 12 14 16

LOST—$10.00 bill Friday night in down town district. Reward if returned to 1315 Madison St. Phone 1673-C. 12 14 16

LOST—Small flat purse containing Corbin lock key and money in 1200 block on Caledonia. Call 1735-C. 12 14 15

LOST—Nickel plated rim for auto headlight between French Island and north side. Telephone 1816-R. 12 14 15

LOST—Dec. 11, small black plush cap near 14th and Jackson. Finder please return to 1430 Winnebago. 12 14 15

WILL PARTY finding purse belonging to Mary Darbon, 116 So. 8th, kindly phone 666-R3. Reward. 12 15 15

LOST—Pair of cream chamois gauntlets valued as keepsake. Reward. Call 1907-R. 12 15 16

LOST—One Ford rear tire and tube Sunday night. Call Iverson Plumbing Shop. 12 13 15

LOST—Rabbit hound. Answers to name Bead. Call 1415-M. Reward. 12 15 17

FOUND—Brown bobbed-tail dog. 1713-Blue. 12 15 16

FOR RENT—ROOMS

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, also nicely furnished sleeping rooms for ladies and gents. Inquire Ledman's flat, 125 So. 3rd. Phone 872-R. 12 13 15

TWO FURNISHED light housekeeping rooms, modern except heat. Also two unfurnished rooms, 718 State. 12 14 15

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For Rent—Houses and Flats

FOR RENT—Small flat on 3rd St. Opposite court house. Phone 1752-A. 12 15 17

FIVE-ROOM house. Inquire 226 So. 3rd. Second floor. 12 15 16

HOUSE FOR RENT—780 North 24th St. Call 982-Blue. 12 13 19

7 OR 5 ROOM city heated flat. 321 King street. 12 9 15

FOR RENT—Modern lower flat. 1334 Ferry St. 12 13 16

FOR RENT—5-room lower flat, 420 No. 4th. 12 14 19

For Rent—Miscellaneous

FOR RENT—For the winter, nicely furnished 5-room heated apartment one block from high school; occupancy at once. Applicants must be thoroughly reliable. $60 per month. A. Olberg. Call 203-R or 1177-C. 12 13 15

TO RENT—Office building formerly occupied by Farmers' Co-op. Packing Co. Suitable most any commercial purpose; 3 stories, cement basement. C. M. and St. P. switch. Inquire Miller Rose Co. 12 9 15

FOR RENT—Garage space for one car. Near Twelfth and Ferry streets. Call 1746-M. 11 15 tf

FOR RENT—Desk space. 207 Rivoli Bldg. 12 6 19

FOR RENT—Garage. Inquire 429 So. 5th. 12 14 16

HOUSE and garage. 1487-A. 12 13 16

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Situation Wanted—Female.

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WANTED—Washing and sewing. Call 1501-C. 421 Vine. 12 14 16

WASHING wanted to do at house. Call 1844-Blue. 12 11 17

LEGAL NOTICES

State of Wisconsin, in Circuit Court, La Crosse County.

J. W. Downs and A. L. Downs, Plaintiffs.

—vs—

Lewis Pratt and Mrs. Lewis Pratt, his wife, James I. Lyndes, Referee, George F. Hammond and Mrs. George F. Hammond, his wife, Margaret Hughes, Robert D. Edwards, O. J. C. Hammond, C. L. McKenney, Wm. M. Dunham, Joseph Kerling, E. H. Wilkins, C. H. Johannes, Edward P. Allis, C. K. McKenney, John R. Morris, Henry A. Norton and Mary R. Norton, his wife, Thomas Griffiths and Jennie Griffiths, his wife, John Erickson and Mary Erickson, his wife, Thomas Griffiths and Margaret Griffiths, his wife, Elizabeth Jones, Daniel W. Travis, Mrs. Jessie L. Burke, John Olson (Akem), Nels C. Berg and Olga Berg, his wife, Albert Onstlue, M. H. Bekkedal, Berg & Jones Department Store Company, a corporation, Rockland State Bank, La Crosse Trust Company, Comer Roberts, William Roberts, A. N. Berg, W. H. Rogers, Wm. H. Rogers, H. B. Rogers, Robert Ross, W. O. Jones and the unknown wife of each and all of them, and the unknown grantees, and assignees of each and all of the above named defendants, and the unknown heirs, executors, administrators, legatees, devisees, widows and widowers of each and any of the above named defendants who may be deceased, and the owners of all or any part of or any interest in the lands described in the footnotes of the summons in this action, and all whom it may concern, Defendants.

SUMMONS

The State of Wisconsin to the said defendants and to each of them:

You are hereby summoned to appear within twenty days after the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the day of service, and defend the above entitled action in the court aforesaid; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, of which a copy is hereto attached and is herewith served upon you.

Z. S. RICE,
Plaintiffs' Attorney.

P. O. Address, Sparta, Monroe County, Wisconsin.

This is an action to quiet title, the original summons and complaint of which are on file in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of La Crosse County, Wisconsin, and affects the title to the following described real estate: Lots 15 and 16 of Block "K" of W. O. Jones' Addition to Rockland, in La Crosse County, Wisconsin.

Z. S. RICE,
Plaintiffs' Attorney.

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Carpenter work by non-union carpenter. Repair or new work. 602 So. 4th. Phone 1997-R. 12 13 19

$10.00 PER MONTH on a $100.00 purchase starts you housekeeping. Boyer-Furber Furniture Company. 1.1.18 tf

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WANTED—To go housekeeping. Farm preferred. 623, La Crosse. 12 15 17

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DRESSMAKING. 1051-R. 12 9 22

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TYPEWRITERS

UNDERWOOD typewriters for rent. Phone 146. 7 14 tf

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CLAIMS COLLECTED on percentage, or bought outright. Commercial Service Bureau, 314 Newburg Bldg. 5 8 tf

REPORT SHRINKAGE IN CROP VALUES DESPITE RECORD GRAIN YIELD

Loss of Nearly Five Billions to Farmers is Shown in Agricultural Report

WASHINGTON.—Loss of nearly $5,000,000,000 in the country's farm crops from the high value of last year is indicated by the final report of the department of agriculture, issued by the government late Tuesday. The total valuation is $9,148,519,000, compared with a total of $14,087,996,000 for the year 1919, or a decrease of $4,939,477,000.

This vast shrinkage in values represents the farmers' contribution to the readjustment of prices toward normal pre-war levels.

The acreage devoted to the important crops was 351,062,409, compared with 356,162,112 last year.

Valuations of the five grains aggregated $4,271,249,000 compared with $2,785,089,000 last year. The average valuation for the 1914-'18 season was $5,344,939,000 or $1,573,690,000 more than the total for 1920.

Grains Break All Records

The report showed the largest aggregate yield of the five principal grains in the history of the country and was a distinct surprise to the grain trade, as well as to the producer.

The total yield of wheat, corn, oats, rye and barley is 5,818,000,000 bushels, corn furnishing more than half. This is an increase of 145,000,000 bushels over the November preliminary estimates 543,000,000 bushels more than the revised figures of last year, and 350,000,000 bushels in excess of the final returns in 1919, which were the largest on record up to this year.

Wheat Makes Big Gain

An important feature of the final returns was the increase of 39,000,000 bushels in wheat, 36,000,000 bushels of corn, and 80,000,000 bushels of oats over the preliminary returns. This throws all former calculations as to wheat supplies out of line, and shows that, taking all actual export sales into consideration, together with the amounts sold but not yet cleared, the United States still has 120,000,000 bushels of wheat available for export to July 1, and for carryover into the new crop. The average carryover is 80,000,000 bushels.

There is more grain this year than the railroads can move before another harvest. There are plenty of cars available, but the grain movement is below the average.

The wheat crop has been exceeded only three times in the history of the country, while the corn crop is the largest known by 108,000,000 bushels. The oats crop is one of the four largest known.

Harvest is Extraordinary

The extraordinary character of the harvests, which have been the most abundant in the country's history, despite an unfavorable start and a poor early promise, is emphasized by the December revisions of estimates.

Increased yields over early estimates on winter wheat come from nearly every state, the largest gain being 13,000,000 bu. in Kansas, the largest wheat producer in the country. This was due to an increase of more than 1,000,000 in the acreage. The total returns are 48,000,000 bu. more of winter wheat than were claimed early, more in line with many private reports. Spring wheat decreased 9,000,000 bu.

Corn Value Shrinks

The corn crop of 4,232,367,000 bu. is the largest on record by 108,000,000 bu, and the yield per acre of 30.9 bu. exceeds last year's by 2.3 bu and the average by 5.4 bu, there being only one previous year when the average yield has been more than 30 bu.

Despite the record yield for the crop, the valuation of $2,180,721,000 shows a reduction of $1,662,000,000 from last year's when the crop was 374,000,000 bu. smaller. The price paid to the farmer on Dec. 1 of 67.7 cents per bu. compared with $1.349 last year, offsetting the increase in the yield.

Abundance of Foodstuffs

There is an abundance of all food and feed grain, and the crop of potatoes at 430,458,000 bu. exceeds last year's by 72,916,000 bu, and is the second largest on record.

MEXICAN WIRE MEN OUT

MEXICO CITY.—The telegraphers and station agents on the National railways have ordered a general immediate strike which it is feared will paralyze all the lines

DAILY MARKETS

NEW YORK—Liberty bonds at noon:

3½s	90.08	Third 4¼s	87.86
First 4s, bid	86.00	Fourth 4¼s	85.74
Second 4s	85.10	Victory 3¾s	99.08
First 4¼s	86.00	Victory 4¾s	99.08
Second 4¼s	85.24		

MARKET QUIETS DOWN

Less Activity Shown at Day's Session, With Leaders Showing Gains

NEW YORK—Trading fell away sharply in the first hour of Wednesday's market in comparison with the recent feverish activity, but many leaders extended early gains, especially oils, rails and food specialties. A three point rise in Vanadium Steel was regarded as an indication that no adverse action would be taken by the directors at their meeting. A reversal of one to two points ensued towards noon, shorts selling on announcement of the passing of the Willys-Overland preferred dividend and the suspension of dividends on Keystone tire and several miscellaneous companies. Shippings weakened, the Mercantile Marine preferred losing two points. Call money opened at the fixed rate of 7 per cent but the market was almost bare of time funds.

Aside from oils, which were inclined to forfeit part of their substantial recoveries of the previous session, prices at the outset of the stock market were irregularly higher. Within the first half hour gains of 1 to 2½ points were registered by Atlantic Gulf, American Sugar, American Can, General Electric, Sloss-Sherfield Steel, and several of the popular specialties. Rails were mixed and equipments also reflected an uncertain trend. The possibility of a money flurry arising from the day's heavy tax payments made traders more than ordinarily cautious.

Call money eased to 6 percent later, but failed to stimulate the market, leaders among oils, steels, equipments and shippings making further recessions. The close was heavy.

Closing prices:

Allis-Chalmers	29
American Beet Sugar	40
American Can	33½
American Car and Foundry	121⅝
American Hide and Leather pfd	41½
American International Corp.	37⅞
American Locomotive	82¾
American Smelting and Refining	40⅞
American Sugar	86½
American Sumatra Tobacco	70
American T. and T.	97⅞
American Woolen, ex-div.	62¾
Anaconda Copper	37
Atchison	80¾
Atlantic Gulf and W. Indies	107½
Baldwin Locomotive	87⅝
Baltimore and Ohio	32¼
Bethlehem Steel "B," ex-div.	52
Canadian Pacific	112⅛
Central Leather	30¾
Chandler Motors	74
Chesapeake and Ohio	56¾
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	27
Chicago, R. I. and Pac.	18⅝
Colorado Fuel and Iron	27¼
Corn Products	65⅝
Crucible Steel	82
Cuba Cane Sugar	19
Erie	12⅞
General Electric	119¾
General Motors	13⅝
Goodrich Co.	35
Great Northern pfd	73⅛
Great Northern Ore Ctfs.	26½
Illinois Central	84⅞
Inspiration Copper	30⅛
Int. Mer. Marine pfd	48½
International Paper	48⅝
Kennecott Copper	17
Louisville and Nashville	99⅛
Maxwell Motors	22¾
Mexican Petroleum	164½
Miami Copper	13¾
Middle States Oil	12½
Midvale Steel	30⅝
Missouri Pacific	27
New York Central	68⅝
N. Y. N. H. and Hartford	17
Norfolk and Western	96⅛
Northern Pacific	77
Oklahoma Prod and ref. ex. div	23¼
Pan American Petroleum	77¼
Pennsylvania	39⅝
People's Gas	39
Pittsburgh and West Va.	30
Ray Consolidated Copper	11¾
Reading	82
Rep. Iron and Steel	61¾
Royal Dutch, N. Y.	56
Shell Trans and Trad	39⅝
Sinclair Con. Oil	24⅝
Southern Pacific	97¼
Southern Railway	20⅞
Standard Oil of N. J. pfd.	103¾
Studebaker Corporation	40½
Tennessee Copper	7⅞
Texas Co.	42½
Texas and Pacific	38
Tobacco Products	50⅝
Transcontinental Oil	7⅞
Union Pacific	115⅝
U. S. Food Products	19
U. S. Retail Stores	52½
U. S. Ind. Alcohol	65½
United States Rubber	53½
United States Steel	79
Utah Copper	50¼
Westinghouse Electric	43¼
Willys Overland	9
Pure Oil Co.	32½
Invincible Oil	21⅝

CHICAGO LIVESTOCK

CHICAGO, Ill.—Hogs—Receipts, 30,000; lights active, others slow, mostly 10c higher than yesterday's average; big packers generally bidding lower than yesterday; top early, $9.25; bulk, $9.00 to $9.15; pigs, 10c to 15c higher; bulk desirable 90 to 130 pound pigs, $9.10 to $9.25.

Cattle—Receipts 9,000; beef steers active and steady; early sales $8.00 to $12.00; some held higher; butcher stock uneven, steady to weak, canners weak to 25c lower; sales, $2.75 to $3.25; bologna bulls, strong, choice kind, $6.25; calves, steady; best vealers, $10.00; stockers and feeders, steady to strong.

Sheep—Receipts 15,000; best fat classes and feeders, steady; others dull; early top fat lambs to shippers and city butchers, $12.45; early packing top, $11.85; wethers, $6.25; fat ewes, $5.50; few early sales feeder lambs, $10.50 to $10.75.

WHEAT IN SETBACK

Values Drop as Result of Government Crop Report; Corn Also Lower

CHICAGO, Ill.—Wheat dropped quickly in value Wednesday as a result of radical enlargement of the government estimates of the 1920 yield of grain. On the decline, however, there was good buying attributed to the seaboard. Trading in May delivery of wheat began Wednesday and as expected the price was at a moderate discount as compared with March. Opening quotations which ranged from 1¾ to 6c lower, with December $1.64½ to $1.66 and March $1.60½ to $1.62 were followed by a moderate rally in some cases.

Subsequently weakness intensified and it was said country offerings in the southwest were much larger. The close was unsettled, 5 to 8½c net lower, with December $1.55½ and March $1.58¾ to ¾.

Corn, like wheat, underwent a setback in price. After opening ⅛ to 2⅝c lower, including May at 70½ to 71¼c, recovered somewhat but then sagged again.

There was a notable lack of support except from shorts. The close was nervous, 2¾ to 3¾c net lower with May 69½ to ¾c.

Oats weakened with other cereals, starting ¾ to 1c down, May 49¼ to ¾c and later sagging more.

Depression of grain and hogs had a bearish effect on provisions.

CHICAGO GRAIN RANGE

	Open	High	Low	Close
WHEAT—				
Dec.	164½	167	160	165½
Mar.	160	163	157	158¼
CORN—				
May	70½	71¾	68¾	69½
July	71⅝	72¾	70	70½
OATS—				
May	49¼	49¾	47	47⅝
July	48⅝	48¾	46¾	47⅝
PORK—				
July	23.15	23.15	23.10	23.10
LARD—				
Jan.	13.55	13.55	13.27	13.30
May	13.60	13.60	13.35	13.37
RIBS—				
Jan.	11.50	11.50	11.30	11.35
May	11.95	11.97	11.70	11.75

CASH GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

CHICAGO, Ill.—Wheat—No. 2 red, $2.00; No. 2 hard, $1.78.

Corn—No. 2 mixed, 72c; No. 2 yellow, 70½c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 47¾ to 49½c; No. 3 white, 47 to 48½c.

Rye—No. 2, $1.64.

Barley—65 to 91c.

Timothy seed—$4.50 to $5.75.

Clover seed—$15.00 to $20.00.

Pork—Nominal.

Lard—$13.30.

Ribs—$12.75 to $17.50.

CHICAGO PRODUCE

CHICAGO, Ill.—Butter—Unsettled; creamery, 33 to 51c.

Eggs—Unchanged; receipts 902 cases.

Poultry—Alive, lower; fowls, 16 to 24c; springs, 23c; turkeys, 38c.

POTATOES

CHICAGO, Ill.—Potatoes—Stronger; receipts 15 cars; Northern White, sacked, $1.30 to $1.45 cwt.; bulk, $1.40 to $1.50.

MINNEAPOLIS FLOUR

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Flour 10c to 20c higher; in carload lots, Family Patents quoted $8.90 to $9.55 a barrel in 98-pound cotton sacks. Shipments, $31,250 barrels.

Bran—$26.00 to $28.00.

MINNEAPOLIS FLAX

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—No. 1, $2.06¼ and $2.07¼.

OVERLAND PASSES DIVIDEND

NEW YORK—Directors of the Willys-Overland company today announced their regular quarterly dividend of 1¾ per cent on preferred stock would be passed.

HARDING MEETS ROBINS

MARION, Ohio.—In his consultations on public questions, President-elect Harding turned Wednesday to the progressive wing of republicanism, meeting with Raymond Robins, a former leader of the progressive party and during the last campaign a member of the republican executive committe.

MEXICAN WAR CHIEF DEAD

MEXICO CITY.—General Benjamin Hill, the secretary of war, died early Wednesday morning. He had been critically ill for several days.

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Three lots, corner Main and Losey Blvd.

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Brick two-family flat, partly modern; near 16th and Winnebago.

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SPARTA HIGH SCHOOL RECEPTION PUTS BAN ON "WALL FLOWER"

Party Dresses also Frowned on for Annual Event Tuesday; no Banquet, Either

SPARTA, Wis.—The annual high school and alumni reception will be held in Assembly hall next Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The committee in charge of the affair this year is trying hard to do away with party dresses, wall flowers, etc., and make this party a regular democratic "mixer." Every one is requested to eat their supper before they go, as the banquet supper, which was at one time the leading feature of this annual gathering will be done away with. We are informed that there will be barrels of red lemonade with which to refresh the inner man, and that the cost of the entertainment will not exceed thirty-five cents per individual. Everything is to be strictly informal from start to finish. A fine program will be given, consisting of songs, "yells," all sorts of stunts, comedy and tragedy. Every graduate of the Sparta high school is urged to attend and have a good time and get acquainted with the present students of our alma mater.

The annual school board and teachers' convention of Monroe county was held in the Sparta high school Tuesday. The program opened at 9:30 o'clock and was as follows:

Opening exercises—local schools; enrollment; "What We Expect of the Teacher," Harriet Hutson of the Teachers' Training school in Tomah; "Consolidation of Schools," George S. Dick, rural inspector; miscellaneous suggestions, Supt. M. M. Haney. Afternoon session—1:30: Opening exercises, local schools: Citizenship, Principal W. E. Bush, Tomah; "The Necessity of Regular Attendance, George S. Dick, rural inspector; question box.

The same program was given for teachers in the eastern part of the county, the preceding day, at Tomah.

COBLENZ. — Brigadier General Henry T. Allen, commander of American Rhinelander forces, was decorated by General Degoutte of the French army as a grand commander in the Legion of Honor.

IN THE MORNING PAPERS
A Summary of the News

MADRID.—German manufacturers are sending to Spain such large quantities of woolen goods at vastly cheaper prices than those charged by Spanish factories, that a committee of Spanish manufacturers has requested Premier Dato to adopt measures for their protection.

PLYMOUTH, Mass. — Bones of some of the Pilgrim Fathers were exposed for a time when the box in which they have been kept was taken from the canopy over Plymouth Rock, where it had rested since 1880.

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—An airplane flight from the top of a business building was made by Frank Clark, local aviator. It is said to be the first "take off" of its kind in the history of aviation.

CHICAGO, Ill.—J. T. Christensen, air mail plane pilot, establishes record by flying from Omaha to Chicago in two hours, 42 minutes, or at the average speed of 162 miles an hour.

WASHINGTON.—Deaths from automobile accidents continued to show an increase during 1919, with a total of 7,969 for the census bureau's registration area, comprising about 80 per cent of the country's total population, according to statistics just completed by the census.

WASHINGTON.—The annual report of the census bureau, which was made public by Director Rogers, estimates that the recent nation-wide enumeration covering a period of three years ending June 30 last, cost $23,765,000.

HUMANE SOCIETY IS SOUGHT FOR SPARTA; TO PICK OFFICERS

SPARTA, Wis.—A number of citizens, who were interested in forming a county Humane society, met in the court house, Friday evening at 7:30, upon invitation of the Rev. A. E. Frederick, state humane officer. Ole H. Doxrud was appointed chairman of the meeting and Miss Rosella Morse was secretary for the evening. Dr. Carl Beebe, Rev. A. E. Frederick, O. H. Doxrud, Mrs. Mary Harris, and Rev. D. J. McTavish were appointed as a committee to nominate county officers, and will make report at a meeting to be called at a future date. Mr. Frederick spoke on the object of forming such a county society, and others discussed the matter and the reasons for such an organization.

The following marriage licenses were issued the past week by County clerk, O. J. Jackson. Willis H. Fowler of St. Paul and Mrs. Katherine Wingler of Tomah; George J. Van Kirk, town of Sparta, and Beonka Krieger, town of Sheldon.

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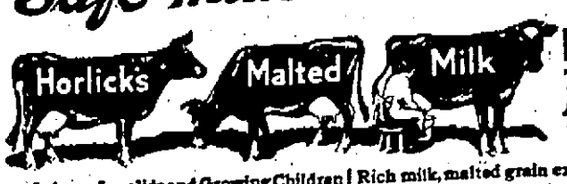

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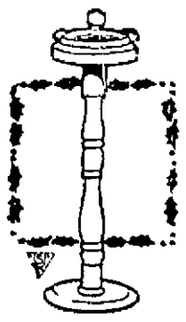

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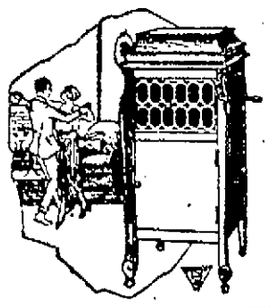

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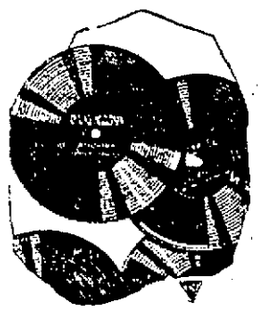

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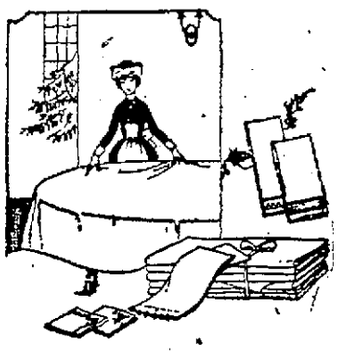

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